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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-Ship ABYSSINIA, 1,129 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander A. Gray, will be despatched on the 25th April 1871, at noon.

Leave BOMBAY	April. 25	Leave Colombo	May. 3
„ Carwar	27	„ Galle	4
„ Mangalore	28	„ Negapatam	7
„ Cannanore	28	„ Pondicherry	7
„ Tellicherry	29	„ Madras	9
„ Calicut	29	„ Coconada	11
„ Beypore	30	„ Viragapatam	12
„ Cochin	30	„ Bimlipatam	12
„ Quilon	May. 1	„ Vizagapatam	13
„ Tuticorin	2	„ False Point	14
		Arrive CALCUTTA	16

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Nellgherry District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the Steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF via KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussora, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAHOMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every MONDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 tons, 120 H.P., Commander A. Cottier, will be despatched on the 24th April, 1871, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY,

(VIA SUEZ CANAL).

THE ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co. have established a regular service between GENOA and BOMBAY

GENOA on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month,

And calling at the following intermediate stations, viz:—

On the Outward voyage at Leghorn, Naples, Messina, Port Said, Suez, and Aden; on the Homeward voyage at the undermentioned ports.

PASSENGER RATES,

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15		£4
Suez	36	22		8
Port Said	39	24		9
Alexandria	39	25		9-10
Messina	45	32		12
Naples	47	33		13
Leghorn	50	34		14
Genoa	50	34		14
Marseilles with transhipment at Genoa	52	35		14-10

Including Wines at Table. Without Food.

Children under 2 years, free of charge.

Children not above 10 years, half fare.

Independent of this (Indian) line, the Company run Mail Steamers, under contract with the Italian Government, on the 7th, 17th, and 27th of each month, from ALEXANDRIA to GENOA, touching likewise at Messina, Naples, and Leghorn.

Passengers by this Company's Steamers are allowed to break their voyage at any of the above named ports, and may resume it at pleasure by any of the Company's vessels.

Passengers returning within 6 months of their departure from Bombay by the Steamers of the Company are entitled to a reduction of 20 per cent. on the Return Fare.

Berths must be secured in advance by depositing half the amount of Passage Money.

In accordance with the above, the undermentioned Steamers are fixed to leave Bombay as follows:—

INDIA, on MONDAY, 1st of May.

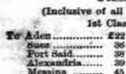
The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

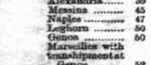
Bombay, 10th February 1871.

FROM MALABAR COAST to HAVRE.



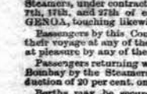
THE first-class Ship CLEMENTINE, 300 tons, Messac, Commander. For particulars regarding Freight apply to Messrs. Eo. BAUDRY and Co.

FROM MALABAR COAST to BORDEAUX.



THE first-class Ship EUROPE, 406 tons, Duralles, Commander. For particulars regarding Freight apply to Messrs. Eo. BAUDRY and Co.

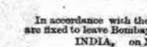
FROM BOMBAY to TELLICHERRY.



THE first class Ship CLEMENTINE, 354 tons, Messac, Commander, will call at Cannanore, or any port north of Tellicherry, if sufficient inducement is offered. Apply for Freight, &c., to Messrs. Eo. BAUDRY & Co.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the 21st instant, the ship clearing on the 22nd.

FOR LONDON via HAVRE, WITH DESPATCH.



MESSRS. JOHN WILLIS and SON'S Magnificent Teak-built Ship THE TWEED, A 1 15 years, 1,145 tons, William Cumming, Commander.—For particulars regarding Freight or Passage apply to SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 8th March 1871.

NOTICE.—Consignees of GOODS per Steamer BERAR, Lubran, Commander, from London, are requested to SEND DELIVERY ORDERS, accompanied by Bills of Lading, to us for Countersignature, and to take delivery of the Goods from Port Custom House Bunder.

RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co., Agents, Steamer Berar.

Bombay, 15th April 1871.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per Ship HYDERABAD, Captain Hockenwood, from Liverpool, are requested to despatch BOATS to take delivery of their respective GOODS, as they come to hand, otherwise they will be landed by the Captain at the RISK and EXPENSE of the consignees.

Captain Hockenwood will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it leaves the ship's deck.

EWART, LATHAM, & Co.,

Agents for the Charterers of the Hyderabad.

Bombay, 6th April 1871.

OVER 3,500,000 in OPERATION.

THE "NEEDLE" LUBRICATOR

(Lieuvain's Patent), Price One Shilling each,

Supersedes all others in efficiency and economy. Saves 20 per cent. in oil.

Sole Licensees,

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TO EUROPEAN RESIDENTS IN INDIA.

THE SOVEREIGN BOOT

(FOR LADIES)

Made of soft Glove Kid, Channel Soles, Fancy Toes, Pliant Elastic Sides, Military Heels. Made expressly for Tropical Climates.

On the reception of twenty-one shillings sterling, the above will be forwarded to any part of India, a pair of Ladies' Boots (postage paid), by return of post.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Saturday, the 22nd April, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. DECCAN (3,128 tons, and 800 H.P.), Captain D. Reynoldson, will LEAVE for SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

REDUCTION OF FARES.

The Rates of Passage Money have been reduced as follows:—

To Brindisi ..... First Class Rs. 600 Second Class Rs. 300

To SOUTHAMPTON. „ „ 650 „ „ 350

Exclusive of Wines and Liquors, and the transit through Egypt.

All Children under 3 years of age, free; above 3 and under 10, half fare.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TRAVANCORE (1,900 tons, and 400 H.P.), Captain C. H. Eastley, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 27th April, leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 25th instant.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

EXTRA STEAMER TO CHINA.

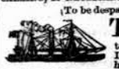
THE Steamer SUNDA (1,682 Tons, and 300 H.P.), will be despatched to Hongkong early in May, calling at Singapore.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

FOR TRIESTE AND VENICE, VIA SUEZ CANAL,

CALLING, IF NECESSARY, AT BRINDISI, TO LAND PASSENGERS.

(To be despatched hence at end of May.)



THE new Steam-ship STRATHCLYDE, 1,400 nett registered tons, expressly built for the East India and China Trade. This fine Steamer has extensive first-class Passenger accommodation of an unusually superior description.

RATES OF PASSAGE ARE—

1st Class to Suez	£30
Ditto Brindisi	£40
Ditto Trieste and Venice	£45

exclusive of Wines, &c., which, however, can be procured on board.

Further particulars will be advertised hereafter.

Application to be made to W. NICOL & Co.,

Bombay, 6th April 1871. Agents.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT and COMPANY.

No. 5, Forbes Street.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and Handsome Household Furniture, best Plated, rich Crockery and Glassware, a handsome English-built Park Phaeton, on C Springs, by Nunn, of Long Acre, at Malabar Hill

On MONDAY, the 8th proximo, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their Residence, Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, Carriage, &c., the property of W. Wedderburn, Esq., and Captain A. R. Hoskins.

Full particulars will be given hereafter. Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view, 4 days before the day of sale.

Bombay, 18th April 1871. BENNETT & Co.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company take Cargo to Liverpool, London, and Havre, via the Suez Canal.

These Steamers were made specially for this trade, and have superior accommodation for Passengers. The NEERA carries a Stewardess.

RATES OF FARE FOR PASSENGERS.

To Liverpool via Suez Canal—1st class £50; 2nd class £35 ..... Exclusive of Wines.

The s.s. NEERA, 2,200 Tons, Captain Cousins, is expected to leave on the 30th May.

Bombay, 17th April 1871. STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

NOTICE.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the BOMBAY BOOK DEBT LOAN, of 1st May 1865, WILL BE CLOSED from the 20TH to 30TH INSTANT, inclusive.

HOLDERS of the abovementioned STOCK should present their CERTIFICATES at this Office when applying for DIVIDEND WARRANTS, which will be ready for delivery on the 1st proximo.

W. FRASER,

Deputy Secretary and Treasurer.

Public Debt Office, New Bank of Bombay, 14th, 17th April 1871.

WE have THIS DAY established ourselves in this place as MERCHANTS and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, under the NAME and STYLE of MOOKERJEE ROY and Co., in connection with Messrs. AUSOOTOSH MOOKERJEE and Co. of Calcutta.

AUSOOTOSH MOOKERJEE.

BILLESHORE ROY.

6, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 15th April 1871.

TO THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR THE CITY OF BOMBAY.—I hereby give NOTICE, that a QUARTERLY MEETING of the JUSTICES of the PEACE for the CITY of BOMBAY will be HELD in the DURBAR ROOM, of the TOWN HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th April 1871, at 3 o'clock precisely, to consider—

1. The Accounts for the 1st Quarter of 1871, with Auditors' Report thereon.
2. Report of the Visiting Justices of the Bombay Jails for the year 1870, with Government Resolutions thereon, No. 734 of 21st February and No. 1074 of 13th March 1871.
3. Report of the Select Committee of the Justices of the Peace for the control of Hindoo Cemeteries.
4. Report of the Select Committee of the Justices on the proposals for street Railways.
5. Proceedings of the Finance Committee to date.
6. The Municipal Commissioner to apply under Section 202 of the Bombay Municipal Act of 1865 for the sanction of the Bench to a Code of Bye-Laws regarding the storage of dangerous oils and substances.
7. Letter from E. Pratt, Esq., giving notice of his intention to propose the appointment of two Committees—the first, to inquire into the loans negociated by the Municipal Commissioner in the year 1869 on behalf of the Corporation; the other, to examine and report on the Contract System in force since 1865.

LESLIE CRAWFORD,

Acting Clerk to the Justices of the Peace for the City of Bombay.

Bombay, Town Hall, 17th April 1871.

COAL TAR SOAP.

WRIGHT'S SAPO CARBONIS DETERGENS.—Purifying, disinfecting, and antiseptic. It cleanses, purifies, and sweetens the skin, imparting to it rare brilliancy, fragrance, and smoothness. It allays all itching and disagreeable odour from the person, and renders the whole body sweet and wholesome. Mothers should use it daily on their children. It is an elegant toilet Soap, a great preservative of health, and sweetly scented. Its use thoroughly purifies and disinfects the body after an attack of fever, scarlatina, small-pox, and other maladies.

"It is the only true antiseptic Soap with which we are acquainted."—The British Medical Journal.

"Anonymous Letters often reach us praying for a remedy for foul breath or perspiration. Here is one."—The Medical Times and Gazette.

Sold by all Chemists, Perfumers, and Grocers, in tablets, 6d. and 1s. each.

W. V. WRIGHT & Co.,

Southwark, London.

JEWELLERY.

BRACELETS.	LOCKETS.	SHIRT STUDS.
BROOCHES.	NECKLETS.	SLEEVE LINKS.
CHAINS.	PENCIL CASES.	SNUFF BOXES.
EARRINGS.	SCARF PINS.	CHAINS.
FINGER RINGS.	SCARF RINGS.	WEDDING RINGS.

AND A VARIETY OF OTHER NEW GOODS,

all of the best London manufacture.

DETAILS FURNISHED, FREE, ON APPLICATION BY

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

COCONADA CHEROOTS.

These Cigars are manufactured, under special agreement, of the best quality of Tobacco, and put up expressly for this Company.

		Cash. Rs. as.	Credit. Rs. as.
"BABINGTON" muster, box of	250	3 12	4 4
Ditto ditto	500	7 0	8 0
"HAVANAH" ditto	150	3 0	3 4
Ditto ditto	250	4 4	4 12
Ditto ditto	500	8 0	9 0
"LEISURE HOUR" ditto	250	4 0	4 8
Ditto ditto	500	7 8	8 8
"Office" very similar to the former Burmah muster ditto	100	1 6	1 8
Ditto ditto	500	6 12	7 4
Ditto ditto	1,000	12 8	14 0

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

TABLE PLATE.

Fiddle Pattern. Cash.	Credit.			Per doz.	Beaded Lilly, or Thread Pattern. Cash.	Credit.
27 0	30 0	Table Forks, or Spoons full size	„	36 0	40 0	
20 0	22 8	Dessert Forks do.	do. „	27 0	30 0	
12 13	13 12	Tea Spoons do.	do. „	16 8	18 0	
12 8	14 0	Egg or Salt Spoons, gilt bowls	„	13 0	22 0	
1 2	1 4	Mustard Spoons, full size	Each	1 6	1 12	
0 14	1 0	Caddy Spoons	„	1 4	1 8	
1 4	1 8	Sugar Spoons	„	1 8	1 12	
2 12	3 0	Sugar Tongs	„	3 0	3 8	
9 0	10 0	Ice Claws (Scissor shaped)	„	9 8	10 8	
4 8	5 0	Ice Tongs	„	5 8	6 0	
2 12	3 0	Butter Knives	„	3 8	4 0	
2 4	2 8	Pickle or Oyster Forks	„	2 8	3 0	
2 4	2 8	Toddy Ladles	„	3 0	3 8	
2 4	2 8	Soup do.	„	3 0	3 8	
7 0	8 0	Soup do.	„	9 0	10 0	
4 8	5 0	Gravy Spoons	„	5 8	6 0	
2 12	3 0	Knife Rests	„	3 8	4 0	
4 0	4 8	Chatni Spoons	„	4 8	5 0	
3 0	3 8	Sardine Tongs	„	3 8	4 0	
2 12	3 0	Knife Rests	per pair	3 8	4 0	
14 8	16 0	Fish Helpers	„	16 0	18 0	
		Spring Side Pickle Prongs, in ivory handle	each	0 0	0 0	

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO THE GENTRY AND PUBLIC OF BOMBAY.

Gentlemen,—

I beg most respectfully to inform you that TO-MORROW EVENING, WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst., I propose taking my BENEFIT at the GRANT ROAD THEATRE, and relying on the uniform kindness [illegible] hitherto shown me I trust on this occasion you will [illegible] to support me with your kind presence.

Praying sincerely that your shadows may never be less.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

KHODABUX BIN MAVLABUX,

Of Damascus.

Zoroastrian Theatrical Club, 18th April 1871.

HANDBILLS, containing a SYNOPSIS of the PLOT (in English) of KHODABUX, will be distributed among the Audience.

☞ Reserved Seats secured, and Tickets to be had, at the ORIENTAL EXCHANGE, Fort; at the CHABOOK PLEES, Dhobi-e Talao, and at the THEATRE on the Night of Performance.

THE BOMBAY and BENGAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY, Limited, (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a TENTH and FINAL DISTRIBUTION of ASSETS, of Rs. 8 per SHARE, WILL BE PAID, on production of SHARE CERTIFICATES, at the Registered Office of the Company, Elphinstone Circle, on and after WEDNESDAY, the 19th April 1871.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.,

For Liquidators.

Bombay, 17th April 1871.

LOST or STOLEN, Original and Duplicate BILLS of LADING and INVOICE for 27 Bags and 8 Barrels Coffee, per CANNING, from Colombo, ENDORSED by our Manager, Mr. KAIKHUSHROO HORMUSJEE. The Public are hereby cautioned against negociating same. Whoever brings the same to the undersigned will be REWARDED.

DHUNJEEBHOY and PESHOTAW MERWANJEE,

At Messrs. John Fairar & Co.

COMBINATION PAPER FOR POSTAL CORRESPONDENCE.

CREAM WATER-LINED SATIN, Box of 5 Quires, Cash Rs. 3; Credit Rs. 3-8.

CREAM WATER-LINED SATIN, with Mourning Border, Box of 5 Quires, Cash Rs. 4; Credit Rs. 4-8.

VIOLET WATER-LINED SATIN, with extra deep Mourning Border, Box of 5 Quires, Cash Rs. 4-8; Credit Rs. 5-0.

STATIONERY OF EVERY DESCRIPTION ON SALE BY

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

FOR SALE, a HANSOM CAB and BAY ARAB HORSE. Price Rs. 650. Apply to "G. H.," at this Office.

HOUSES, &c., TO LET.

TO LET, the HOUSE lately OCCUPIED by Mr. ABRAHAM in Rampart Row. Apply to REMINGTON & Co.

TO BE LET, Commodious OFFICE PREMISES in Elphinstone Circle, and GODOWNS well adapted for Shops. Goods stored on these Premises can be insured against Fire at a little more than half the usual rate. For Rent and other particulars apply to RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.

Bombay, 16th March 1871.

TO BE LET (Furnished), for six months or longer, "BELLE-VUE," Chinchpoogly, the residence of J. Campbell, Esq., commanding one of the finest views in Bombay. The Bungalow is in thoroughly good repair, commodious, and well furnished. Rent Rs. 200 a month. Apply at the BUNGALOW, or J. GRIFFITH, Esq., School of Art, Esplanade.

TO LET, the FIRST STOREY of a HOUSE in No. 3, Meadow Street, formerly occupied by Mrs. Hearn, Milliner, fit for Residence or Offices. Rent and particulars apply to

M. B. COHEN & Co.,

Landing, Shipping, Forwarding, and

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET firm. Spinning shares in much demand.

NEW BANK OF BOMBAY (LIMITED).

STATEMENT of the affairs of the New Bank of Bombay (Limited) as on the 15th April, compared with the statement issued on the 6th April :—

LIABILITIES.	6th April.	15th April.
Proprietors Capital :—		
First Issue of 19,000 Shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid ..... Rs. 50,00,000		
Second Issue of do, of Rs. 100 do. ..... „ 10,00,000		
	60,00,000	60,00,000
Reserve Fund, invested in Government Securities	4,15,000	4,15,000
Government General Treasury Balance at Head Office	[104,32,880	96,44,808
Do. do do. at Branches.	57,26,098	54,92,252
Other Deposits	224,90,055	224,05,591
Post Bills	37,826	38,943
Cash Credits, undrawn	4,06,479	4,55,546
Rs.	459,02,318	444,50,140

ASSETS.		
Government Securities	36,51,109	36,05,672
Cash Credits, on Security of Government Paper, Bullion, and Merchandise	20,53,224	21,04,303
Loans, on Security of do. do.	11,32,421	11,27,238
Current Accounts, overdrawn	14,267	11,245
Bills Discounted	99,56,782	104,13,052
Stamps	6,086	6,140
Dead Stock ..... Rs. 4,85,654		
Amount applied in reduction „ 40,000		
	4,45,654	4,45,654
Bullion	6,40,331	6,32,331
Cash Balances with Correspondents	11,91,919	11,48,707
Cash and Currency Notes	164,20,465	249,56,698
Rs.	455,02,318	444,50,140

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—APRIL 17.

Gibbs, Captain, Bengal Staff Corps, on leave, from Mhow.
Miller, Assistant Surgeon, Royal Artillery, to appear before a medical board, from Fort Govindgur.
Stovell, Ridingmaster, Royal Artillery, from Kamptee
Hi[illegible], Major, Bombay Staff Corps, on duty, from Aden.
Wallis, Captain, Bombay Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Kyball, Captain, 2nd Bengal Cavalry, from furlough, from England.
Plumdale, Schoolmaster, 66th Regiment, on duty, from England.
Davis, Schoolmaster, 41st Regiment, on duty, from England.
Leach, Major, 106th Regiment, on medical certificate, from Ahmedabad.
Davies, Surgeon, Bombay Medical Department, from furlough from England.
Morris, Major, Madras Infantry, on leave, from Nagpore.
Soldie, Captain, Madras Staff Corps, on leave, from Nagpore.
Davidson, Assistant Surgeon, Bombay Medical Department, on duty, from Poona.
Richard, Major, 55th Regiment, on duty, from England.
Bisset, Captain, Royal Artillery, from furlough, from England.
Lynch, Br. General, Staff, on leave, from Deesa.
Waddington, Major, Educational Department, from leave, from England.
Campbell, Staff Assistant Surgeon, Royal Artillery, to appear before a medical board, from Lucknow.
Walker, Colonel, Bombay Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Babington, Lieutenant, Bombay Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Thom, Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Indian Medical Department on duty, from Aden.
Howell, Assistant Surgeon, Jacob's Rifles, on leave, from Jacobabad.

DEPARTURES.—APRIL 17.

Bannerman, Major, 3rd Regiment N. L. I., to join, to Mhow.
Wallace, Major, Bombay Staff Corps, on duty, to Asseerghur.
Gosling, Lieutenant, Commissariat Department, to join, to Sattara.
Stovell, Ridingmaster, Royal Artillery, to join, to Kamptee.
Karslake, Captain, 83rd Regiment, on duty, to Deesa.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters,
Poona, 15th April, 1871.

With reference to G. G. O., No. 264 of 11th instant, appointing Major H. S. Anderson, Staff Corps, to act as Assistant Adjutant General, during the absence of Lieut.-Colonel Bacon, that officer is posted to the Mhow Division.

The undermentioned officers are reported to have passed the required examination in Hindoostani, according to the Lower Standard :—

Captain C. V. Oliver and Ensign B. R. Hobart, 66th Foot.

Assistant Surgeon J. M. O'Farrel, 108th Foot.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointments :—

5th Regiment N. L. I.—Assistant Surgeon J. S. Welsh, M. D., to the medical charge, vice Surgeon Day, on furlough.

23rd Regiment N. L. I.—Surgeon H. R. McDougall, M. D., to the medical charge, vice Surgeon Bell, appointed Superintendent of Mahableshwar.

Sergeant T. Hardiman, Unattached List, employed in the Public Works Department, is remanded to the Sappers and Miners.

The following orders are confirmed :—

Neemuch Station Order.—Dated 29th January 1871, directing Captain Adam, officiating Adjutant 22nd N. I., to perform the duties of Station Staff Officer, vice Captain Moray and until the arrival of Major Griffith, 83rd Foot.

Regimental Order, dated 30th March 1871, appointing Ensign Hinde interpretar to the regiment (under the conditions of G. G. O No. 449 of 1865.)

3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade :—Regimental Order, dated 31st October 1870, directing Lieutenant H. M. Fitzherbert to perform the duties of Quartermaster, in addition to his other duties, from the 1st November 1870, vice Ensign C. J. Knott, proceeding on leave.

8th Regiment N. I.—Regimental Order, dated 3rd April 1871, appointing Major Fellows to officiate as Second in Command, and Captain Biew, Staff Corps, as Wing Officer, from the 1st April 1871, vice Major Woodhouse, proceeded on furlough.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence :—

3rd Hussars.—Paymaster F. W. Lukin, to Mahableshwar, from 11th April to 10th May 1871, on medical certificate, in extension.

108th Foot.—Lieut. Colonel H. E. T. Williams, to Bombay, from date of departure, for 30 days, on medical certificate, preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Staff Corps.—Colonel D. Boyd, Commandant Asseerghur, for 30 days, from date of departure, to Bombay, on medical certificate, preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Major G. W. Hanson, Wing Officer 9th N. I., for 30 days, from date of departure, preparatory to proceeding on furlough.

Lieutenant A. Wood, Adjutant 27th N. I., from 3rd to 17th April 1871, in extension, on medical certificate.

POONA DIVISION ORDERS.

BY MAJOR GENERAL J. T. GRANT, C. B.,
Commanding Poona Division of the Army.

Mahableshwar, 11th April 1871.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave :—

16th N. I.—Captain Drummond, for 60 days, from date of departure, on privilege leave.

Mahableshwar, 13th April, 1871.

The undermentioned officers have obtained leave :—

B-9 Royal Artillery.—Captain Sadlier, for 60 days, from date of departure, on privilege leave.

B-9 Royal Artillery.—Lieut. Browne, for 60 days, from the 1st instant, on privilege leave.

Mahableshwar, 14th April 1871.

Lieut. Collis, 83rd Foot, having, under instructions from Army Head Quarters, been detailed to do duty with troops proceeding to England in H. M.'s Indian Troop ship Euphrates, will join the General Depot, Poona, forthwith.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave :—

56th Regt.—Lieut. F. P. De Vernet, for 30 days, from the 12th instant, on privilege leave.

ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

Head Quarters, Camp, 4th April 1871.

Local rank is assigned to the undermentioned officers :—

49th Regiment.—Lieutenant R. O. Aldworth to be Captain, from the 29th of May 1870.

Lieutenant W. Stevenson to be Captain, from the 26th of November 1870.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointments :—

Dalhousie Depot.—Lieutenant-Colonel C. Cookworthy, Royal Artillery, to be Commandant. Dated 28th March 1871.

Captain A. H. Warner, 41st Regiment, to be Station Staff Officer, vice Hill. Dated 28th March 1871.

Staff Assistant Surgeon J. H. Heath, M.D., to the medical charge, vice Boulton. Dated 28th March 1871.

Landour Depot.—Assistant Surgeon C. Rattray, M.D., of the 37th Regiment, to the medical charge. Dated 31st March 1871.

13th Native Infantry.—Captain G. B. Stevens, attached to the regiment, to officiate as Wing Officer, vice Playfair, on furlough. Dated 28th March 1871.

16th Native Infantry.—Lieutenant J. F. Whish, attached to the regiment, to be officiating Quartermaster, vice Carr, appointed Adjutant. Dated 31st March 1871.

26th Native Infantry.—Lieutenant T. L. Lewis, 1st Wing Subaltern, to be Quartermaster, vice Hepburn, vacated. Dated 28th March 1871.

Lieutenant C. J. R. Fulford, Royal Artillery, 2nd Wing Subaltern, on probation, to be 1st Wing Subaltern, on probation, vice Lewis. Dated 28th March 1871.

48th Native Infantry.—Ensign J. R. Hobday, 2nd Battalion 25th Foot, a candidate for the Staff Corps, to be 2nd Wing Subaltern, on probation, vice Eliot, appointed Quartermaster. Dated 28th March 1871.

The Commander-in-Chief in India is pleased to appoint Lieutenant and Local Captain J. F. Fraser, of the 19th Regiment, to be Staff Officer of the Pachmurree Depot. dated 27th March 1871.

Captain C. McD. Skene, General List, Infantry, lately returned from furlough to Europe, is attached to the 8th Native Infantry, for duty, at his own request.

Lieutenant F. L. Greene, Royal Artillery, who was appointed 1st Wing Subaltern 38th Native Infantry as a probationer for the Staff Corps, in G. O. C. C. of the 12th March 1870, and subsequently transferred to the 27th Native Infantry as 2nd Wing Subaltern, having joined the Roorkee College, is, with the sanction of Government, removed from the list of probationers for the Staff Corps.

The six months' leave of absence to Calcutta, to study the native languages, granted to Lieutenant A Broadfoot, (No. 5 Battery 25th Brigade,) by G. O. C. C.-in-C. of the 30th December last, is cancelled at that officer's request.

The leave granted by G. O. C. C.-in-C. of the 19th February last, to Lieutenant G. L. M'L. Farmer, 2nd Battalion 60th Foot, is cancelled at that officer's request.

Assistant Surgeon A. C. McLavish, 2nd Battalion 60th Foot, is appointed to do duty at the Murree Depot during the ensuing hot season, in place of Assistant Surgeon W. Millar, No. 4 Battery 22nd Brigade Royal Artillery, whose appointment, as notified in G. O. C.-in-C. of the 1st April 1871, is cancelled, that officer having been recommended by a medical board to proceed to England.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence :—

1st Foot, 2nd Battalion.—Captain G. W. Thompson, to Cashmere and the hills north of Deyrah, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

25th Foot, 2nd Battalion.—Captain H. R. Floyd, to Nynee Tal, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant A. N. Adams, to Nynee Tal, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

36th Foot.—Major R. B. Lloyd, to Murree, from the 16th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain J. J. Osmer, to Murree, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

41st Foot.—Major A. R. Wavell, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th August, on private affairs.

58th Foot.—Major W. D. Shipley, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain W. H. Hingeston, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain W. Wordsworth, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain J. V. Hesse, to Murree, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain F. Cunliffe, to Murree, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant A. W. Morris, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant E. B. Coote, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant J. Fair, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Ensign C. H. S. Gambier, to Calcutta, from the 15th April to the 15th October, to study the native languages.

62nd Foot.—Captain K. R. B. Wodehouse, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Captain A. L. Reade, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant R. Rogers, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant H. Jones, to Cashmere, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Ensign R. H. Forrest, to Calcutta, from the 15th April to the 15th October, to study the native languages.

103th Foot.—Captain C. F. Bond, to Mussoorie and the hills north of Deyrah, from the 15th April to the 15th August, on private affairs.

Captain W. S. Daniell, to Mussoorie and the hills north of Deyrah, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

Lieutenant L. G. Hay, to Mussoorie and the hills north of Deyrah, from the 15th April to the 15th October, on private affairs.

MADRAS ARMY ORDERS.

Staff Assistant Surgeon E. J. Clarke, doing duty Royal Artillery, Bangalore, is directed to proceed to Madras at the public expense, and report himself to the Deputy Inspector-General, Presidency Circle.

Staff Assistant Surgeon C. H. Giraud, doing duty 45th Foot, is directed to proceed to Bangalore at the public expense, and report him If to the Deputy Inspector-General, Mysore Circle, without delay.

Madras, 5th April.

The following removals and appointments are ordered :—

Captain G. S. Hooper, from attached 1st L. C. to officiating 1st Squadron Subaltern, 1st Light Cavalry.

Captain E. M. Stevenson, Staff Corps, to attached 28th Native Infantry.

Leave of absence :—

Royal Artillery.—Lieutenant S. G. F. Selfe, 23rd Brigade, for three months, from date of departure—Neilgherries, sick certificate.

Royal Artillery.—Lieutenant G. H Palmer, 23rd Brigade, for four months, from 4th April 1871, or date of departure—Neilgherries, private affairs.

Royal Artillery.—Lieutenant W. M. Campbell, 23rd Brigade, for three months, from date of departure—Neilgherries, s c.

Brigade Staff.—Colonel W. Boyle, Commanding Malabar and Canara, privilege leave for 40 days, from 18th April 1871, or date of departure.

18th Hussars.—Lieutenant and Local Captain B Pulleyne, to England, from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board, via the Overland route Unfit to do duty with troops.

Infantry.—Major W. Ramsay, Wing Officer 10th Native Infantry, for one month from 17th March 1871, preparatory to embarking for Europe on the furlough granted in G. O. G. 16th March 1871.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—17TH APRIL.

London	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d.	p. ton.
	Cases	£3 0s. 0d.	„
	Seeds	£2 5s. 0d to £2 10s. 0d.	„
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d.	„
	Wooden Ships	£2 10s. 0d.	„
	Myrabolms & Coir bdls	£1 5s. 0d.	„
	Seeds	£1 10s. 0d.	„
Harve	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d.	
	Coffee		
Overland	Steamers	£4 0s. 0d.	
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£8 5s. 0d. to £3 7s. 6d.	
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 10 per bale.	
	„ Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest	
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 8 per bale	
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 2 0 0 to 3 0 0 per ton	
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 16 and Calcutta Port charges	
Mauritius		8 annas to 10 p. bag nominal.	

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	From
17	General Havelock (s)	Drewitz	Cochin, April 12.
	Magdala (s)	Davidson	Jeddah, April 3.
	St. Fillans	Nelson	Liverpool, Nov. 22.

DEPARTURES.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
17	M. S. Elphinstone (s)	Raffn	Coast and Goa.
	Arabia (s)	Mathew	Persian Gulf via Kurrachee.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday—
Ship Fanni Currins, Butler, to Penang and Singapore.
Ship Faz Allum, Queene, to Tellicherry.
Ship Mozuffer, Nacoda, to the Persian Gulf via Kurrachee.
Ship Europe, Duhallis, to Bordeaux via Tellicherry.

The following vessels began to load yesterday—
Steamer General Havelock, to Malabar Coast.
Steamer Magdala, to Odessa.
Ship Annie, to Rangoon, via Colombo.
Ship Eusaire, to Liverpool.
Ship Red Cross, to Havre.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

April			
13	Alabama	.....	Mauritius.
	Edwin Fox	.....	Mauritius.
14	Cangaroo (s)	.....	London.
	Asia	.....	Karikal.
	Mongyne	.....	Bombay.
	Asia (s)	.....	Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

April			
13	Alabama	.....	Calcutta.
	Edwin Fox	.....	Calcutta.

DAILY IMPORTS.—17TH APRIL.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Hyderabad, 971 bundles bariron, S Mooljee ; 40 packages earthenware, S Bhima.
William Fairbairn, 200 boxes bar soap, H. A. Sukeladha ; 250 barrels coal pitch, Edward Bates & Co.

FROM LONDON.

Orchis, 1 quart cask Mossolla wine, E N Colabawalla & Co.
Cartago Nova (s), 100 boxes brandy, N Ardaseer & Sons ; 5 casks blacking, Wallace & Co ; 9 cases oilmanstore, E N Colabawalla & Co ; 20 cases brandy, F Framjee & Co.
Robinson Crusoe, 51 cases school slates, A Ocharally ; 10 casks brass wire, E Noorbhoy.
Sam Mendel, 1 hhd. brandy, Payne & Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Europe, 40 boxes claret, N Ardaseer & Co ; 40 cases brandy, Young & Co.
Almora, 600 cases brandy, Sir Charles Forbes & Co.

FROM GENOA.

Persia (s), 100 cases claret, H Bomanjee Touche & Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—17TH APRIL.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Ophelia, 19 bales cotton, H Cursondass ; 15 bales cotton, G Buldew.
Oberon, 99 bales cotton, S Mooljee ; 275 bales cotton, Hutchinson, Dodds & Co ; 100 bales cotton, H Madowjee ; 28 bales cotton, K Shalgram.
Jeypore, 190 bales cotton, A Bloscheck & Co ; 300 bales cotton, Ritchie, Stewart & Co.
Challenge, 50 bales cotton, L Bhojroz & Co ; 500 bales cotton, H Bomanjee Touche & Co ; 14 bales cotton, S Mootelall.
Robert Kerr, 250 bales hemp, J Heerjee ; 42 bales hemp and 500 bags gall, P Jeevraj ; 100 bales hemp, M Godoo ; 450 bales cotton, S Mooljee ; 70 bales cotton, D Rajaram ; 47 bales cotton, R Bapoobhoy ; 59 bales cotton, D Canjee ; 20 bales cotton, J Balloo.
Tmunderholt, 50 bales cotton, Knoop & Co ; 160 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels & Co.
Baron Macaulay, 9 bags linseed, S Tyabjee & Co ; 43 bales cotton, G Chintamon ; 200 bales cotton, N Goverdhundass ; 32 bales cotton, E Hurjeevan ; 166 bales cotton, D Bhaujee ; 800 bundles myrabolams, S S Narrelwalla.
Roumania, 45 bales cottgn, V Govindjee ; 30 bales cotton, V Tackersey.
Americana, 100 bales cotton, C Dewraz ; 50 bales cotton, D Mooljee
Orchis (s), 47 bales cotton, R Pragjee ; 50 bales wool, M Ramjee 46 bales wool, P Tajee ; 42 bales cotton, Greaves, Cotton & Co ; 26 bales wool, H Thackersey.
Cartago Nova (s), 50 bales cotton, B Vassonjee ; 330 bundles coir yarn, S Mooljee ; 2.0 bales cotton, W & A Graham & Co ; 200 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co ; 46 bales wool, N Vitaldass ; 36 bales wool, H Vussonjee ; 63 bales cotton, H Vussonjee ; 4 bale cotton, Macfie, Campbell & Co ; 23 bales cotton, G Buldew ; 50 bales cotton, Stearns, Hobart & Co ; 42 bales cotton, G Motecalil ; 42 bales cotton, C Madowdass ; 250 bales cotton, David Sassoon & Co ; 50 bales cotton, N J Ebram ; 35 bales wool, K Dewchund.
Rialto, 70 bales wool, J Vuria ; 250 bales cotton, Berkend Brothers.
Antrim, 184 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels & Co ; 520 bales cotton, J Trebhoovandass ; 730 bundles gall, C Nanjee.
Euxine, 100 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels & Co ; 417 bags saltpetre, L Sewjee.
Decoan (s), 120 bales wool, J Narrondass.

FOR LONDON.

The Tweed, 45 casps mother of pearl shell, K Abdoola ; 306 bundles gall and 211 bundles nux vomica, M Jeewan ; 64 cases gum, C Manjee.
Decoan (s), 103 cases olibanum, L Datoo ; 59 cases olibanum, E Hasoni ; 3 bales hides, C Nanjee ; 88 pieces E teeth, B Vuliybhoy
Varuna, 500 bales cotton, Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR VENICE.

Decoan (s), 110 bales cotton, G Sigg & Co.

FOR GENOA.

Decoan (s), 52 bales cotton, Owen & Okell.

FOR BREMEN.

Corina (s), 300 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.
Princess Somawutty, 200 bales cotton, A Blaschkeck & Co.

FOR HULL.

White Jacket, 6,000 bags linseed, Ralli Brothers.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Decoan (s), 1,000 bales cotton, Jules Siegfried & Co.

FOR ODESSA.

Magdala (s), 2,000 bales cotton, W Nicol & Co.

FOR FALMOUTH.

Esk, 200 bales cotton, H Cleson & Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Decoan (s), 35 bales cotton, G Sigg & Co.

FOR SUEZ.

Decoan (s), 50 bags Malabar copper, S M A Luttiff.

FOR HONGKONG.

Constance, 61 bundles shirkins and 5 bundles Sahmaws, L Datoo ; 45 bales twist, E Noordin ; 20 bales twist, C Bomanjee ; 1,061 bundles rod iron, B Sorabjee.

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BIRTH.

FERGUSON—April 18th, the wife of T. B. Ferguson, Esq., prematurely, of a son, who survived his birth but for a few hours.

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The Bombay Gazette.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 1871.

M. THIERS seems to make no way. His armies are unable to penetrate into Paris or occupy the southern forts, and it is a great piece of good luck for him that the forts on the right bank of the Seine are still occupied by the Germans. The mob of Paris, powerless in the field against even the poor troops of the Republic, are formidable behind walls and barricades, protected by excellent artillery, and sustained by revolutionary fanaticism. Completely masters within the ring fence of the fortifications, the rebels can only be subdued by regular military operations, a sapping up to the walls followed by a regular assault, by treachery, or by famine. Perhaps the last method would be the more effectual and the more humane; for the capture of Paris by storm or by treachery, could only end in the sack of the great city, a contingency which appals the imagination. But the National Government, though negatively assisted by the Germans, may not have the means wherewith to draw rigid lines round about, excluding food stores of all kinds, nor may they be prepared to surrender the unoffending mass of the people, now subjected to a modified reign of terror, to the mercies of the bloodthirsty men who murdered Le Compte and Clement Thomas. Yet the duty of overcoming Paris is one that weighs like a decree of fate on the Assembly, or the Executive it has chosen, for if the Assembly and its leaders do not subdue Paris, Paris will subdue the Assembly, and Government by Revolutionary Force will be established in France. One of the two powers contending—the nation or the capital—must eat up the other. Judging from the temper of each and the necessities of their position, there is no alternative. Considering that the nation and its capital have now been face to face for six weeks Europe may well look on and wonder which will be the vanquished. The mistake of the National Government was that it did not secure possession of Paris, and of the arms and munitions in Paris, before the Germans were got rid of. The tenderness displayed towards the capital has led to the horrible calamity now impending. M. Thiers is certainly pursued by misfortune. He, more than any one man, was the cause of the war. He, more than any one man, was the founder of the Fortifications. He had to wind up the war by signing a peace which struck at the roots of his cherished dreams; and now his own fortifications have been seized and are used to keep the National Government of which he is the head out of the national capital. It seems to be his "mission" to undo his own work, for French shot and shell are battering the constructions of his own engineers. We can call to mind no war which ended in a similar catastrophe; we can remember no statesman who has occupied a like position. Like the French cripple, M. Thiers may well exclaim, *Mais, moi, je suis unique!*

Perhaps the only men to whom the Civil War in France affords any consolation are the Emperor, his *entourage*, and his admirers. No wonder he looks "cheerful" in the grounds of Camden House. All his enemies are flying at each other's throats. The Assembly which deposed him with loud uproar is now repudiated by the "most intelligent people on the face of the earth," people whom, despite their extraordinary intelligence and unusual modes of displaying it, he knew how to keep down for nineteen years. It is quite true that the hard task M. Thiers is now trying to perform, was performed for the Emperor by Cavaignac in June 1848, and that the President and Prince President had ample time to gather around him a subservient army ere he struck for supreme power. But, when once in the saddle, he sat firmly and remained master until the day of Sedan. France enjoyed tranquility for nineteen years, tranquility varied only by a few wars and a few attempts at assassination; and the Emperor Napoleon may find some balm to soothe the wounds of defeat and failure in the melancholy spectacle now presented to the world. The penalty of dethroning an Emperor, he will think, is the saddest form of internecine strife, played out with fanatical vigour under the eyes of the Germans. One of his reputed qualities was the power of waiting, a sort of patient watchfulness which some thought due to temperament, others to sagacity, others again to irresolution. Whichever it may be, the quality will serve him now, for he evidently cherishes a hope that by waiting quietly his turn will come round once more. Meanwhile the uproar of cannon and musketry and the ring of vollies from assassinating firing parties, forms a sombre accompaniment to the musings of the solitary watcher on the green knolls of Chiselhurst. The rest of the world can only look on with feelings of the deepest sadness at the present and with shuddering horror at the probable near future. But to the Emperor Napoleon the savage conflict is only one of the moves in the great game he has played all his life, a game he is certain to play on until his bones rest in some English churchyard.

And what is to become of France? If the past is of any value as an indication of the future we may confidently predict that she will be restored to her old strength and activity. Here her passionate adorers, and those who judge her and her position in Europe, more soberly, may alike find solid consolation. Defeated by the Germans in a short and severe war, convulsed by the death-grapple of factions, with territory sliced off and money drained away, France is in a far better plight than she was at the close of the long wars of Louis XIV. Taking her condition at its worst, it is far better than that described by Vanban in the famous pamphlet or memorial which brought about his dismissal from the Court. And if, a few decades later, France regained her power and place in Europe and much of her wealth, fought the Empire in Germany and strove with England for America and "the Indies," after the chaos of the Revolution, she rose to be the greatest Continental power and hung out her banner in every capital save Petersburg. More than half a century ago she was deprived of her plunder, territory was taken away, and she had to pay a heavy fine. Yet in a few years her armies were marching about foreign lands, her wealth was rapidly increasing, she stood, if not first, among the very first of the great powers; while the reign of Napoleon III was coincident with a height of material prosperity greater than any recorded, and a pitch of power and influence higher than any attained since 1813. Yet between 1789 and 1870 France had endured a whole series of internal disturbances more violent than those which had afflicted any other nation. And as she arose from these convulsions in strength and splendour, so we may be certain that the inherent vitality of the nation will, in a far shorter period, than men generally suppose, restore her to healthful vigour. Through what acute sufferings, by what skilful or rugged means she will escape out of her present turmoil and chaos the most astute mind would fail to imagine. But the wonderful, yet natural, revivals in the past, are our warrant for believing in a fresh revival of equal vigour. Alsace and part of Lorraine have been taken away, but the bulk of France remains, and the skill, the activity, the enterprise, the organizing faculties, the science, and, above all, the fertile soil and unequalled geographical site—these remain. France will continue to trouble herself and Europe for many long years, and the other nations will have to make up their minds to the fact, that the motives, designs, and power of France must enter into all their calculations of policy. There is not the least hope that she will ever settle down quietly to the management of her own affairs. At intervals she will strive to "expand her frontiers" and manage the affairs of other people in the future as she has done in the past. The troubles and the losses of 1870-71 will be effaced or survive only in history; some man or men will arise out of the chaos and bring it back to order. But what man or what men, who is he bold enough to predict? For the present the chance lies with an obscure Red, or an equally obscure soldier; it may be Thiers or even Gambetta—who was once before literally the *Deus ex machinâ* of the situation—sufficient unto the day is the evil and the good thereof. Putting aside the microscope of daily life, and taking a broad view, we see France emerging bright and wealthy from her troubles, and ready once more to act with the great powers for the good of all, or, if the fit comes on, to scheme and strive for Continental predominance. The evils of to-day are great; they will fade into history to-morrow, and give place to new.

THE young Nawab of Joonaghur has joined the Rajcoomar College.

THE damage done to property by the fire at Randeer, the other day, is estimated at about Rs. 10,000.

COLONEL D. BOYD, Staff Corps, commanding at Asseerghur, has been allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate.

CAPTAIN J. F. WILLOUGHBY, General List, Bengal Infantry, has been granted furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate.

A FEW days ago H. H. the Jam of Nowanuggur was at Jodes, in Kattywar, where he examined the girls' school and distributed prizes to the successful pupils.

WE learn that the Moharrum festival passed off quietly at Indore. Two Hindoo labourers who were carrying a taboot were crushed underneath it, in consequence of its heavy weight.

THE "Madras Mail" understands that Colonel Carpendale intends proceeding on furlough to Europe shortly after being appointed Secretary to the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, and that Colonel Wilkieson will be appointed to act for Colonel Carpendale.

WE learn from Madras of the death there, early last Friday morning, of Assistant Surgeon John Macpherson, M.D., in medical charge of the 38th Regiment N. I. The deceased officer was to all appearance in excellent health on Thursday, and it was deemed requisite to order a coroner's inquest into the circumstances of his death. Dr. Macpherson had purposed leaving Madras by Friday morning's train to join his regiment at Trichinopoly. He was a native of Huntly, in Aberdeenshire, and was educated in Keith and Aberdeen. He entered the local Medical Department in March 1863, and returned with his regiment from Rangoon in February last.

A FEAT IN TELEGRAPHY.

On Easter Sunday a few experiments were tried in direct working between Kurrachee and London. Considering the distance between the two places, and the fact of the current having to traverse two submarine cables en route, the result, we believe, surpassed anything hitherto attempted. For the first time a message was sent from India to England instantaneously. By the Indo-European line communication is now carried on easily and quickly direct with London. A paid message from Dundee to Calcutta has been thus received at Kurrachee.

There was not a hitch of any kind in the experiment above mentioned. The signals came distinctly and regularly, and as fast as if the telegraphist were working with Jaslk.

There are practical objections, which every telegraphist understands, to such extraordinary long circuits for everyday business; but as an experiment, the above is undoubtedly one of the most remarkable on record, and proves at least the perfect insulation of the wire throughout. In bad weather such a result would be unattainable.

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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

KURRACHEE, 8TH APRIL.

LAST Tuesday evening nearly everybody flocked to Frere Hall to witness the presentation of the Albert medal to Captain Edward Giles (late Indian Navy), the Master Attendant of this port. The Commissioner, Sir William Merewether, arrived at about half-past five o'clock, and, after a few minutes, proceeded to explain his object in inviting the public to be present on the occasion. After commenting on the origin of the order, he spoke of Captain Giles' gallant conduct, which had earned for him this high mark of honour. All the residents of Manora could bear testimony to the dauntless efforts made by him to rescue the crew of the ship Alicia, which was wrecked off our bar in 1868—efforts which, happily, turned out successful, inasmuch as all hands on board were saved. The sea was running so high over the ill-fated vessel, that not a boat could approach her, and it was Captain Giles who first put off for the wreck in a small so-called life boat (which was nothing more than an ordinary boat with two wind pipes placed laterally) at the risk of his own life as well as those of his lascar crew, and, after very hard work, succeeded in drawing near enough to the wreck to be able to save three seamen. By this time the steam tug Dagmar was near at hand, as well as Mr. Mason, the then chief pilot, in another boat, and he and Captain Giles made repeated trips to the wreck, and brought off every man on board. Sir William in complimenting Captain Giles on the high order of distinction which Her Majesty had been pleased to bestow on him, took occasion to allude to Mr. Mason's praiseworthy and heroic behaviour in the saving of the Alicia's crew, and moreover said that he would shortly receive some substantial mark of the appreciation of his conduct, in the shape of the Royal Humane Society's medal. Lady Merewether then pinned the medal to Captain Giles' breast, after which he replied in fitting terms to the Commissioner's remarks. It may not be out of place to mention that our Master Attendant already possesses the Royal Humane Society's medal, for distinguished conduct in this harbour some years ago. The band of the 66th Regiment was in attendance, and played several choice airs before the proceedings of the evening commenced.

The municipal authorities of this place are in great disfavour just now, and the outcry against them appears, from all accounts, to be not wholly without foundation. The revised house assessment is the chief cause of this general discontent. Landed proprietors complain of being taxed five and six times over and above the rentals they actually receive. This difficulty, it would seem, could easily be overcome by a proper representation being made in the proper quarter, but strange to say some people have adopted this course without any beneficial result, and the impression is everyday gaining ground among the natives that a great deal of *soolum* is being exercised by the municipal functionaries. It is a matter for regret that the house tax has been allowed to run in arrears for *three years*, and its now being revived causes not little inconvenience to those who were labouring under the delusion that it had become a thing of the past. There is sure to be a great commotion when these individuals are called upon to pay up the arrears. At the present moment it is merely the *fining* of the assessment which has created so much indignation, and several native merchants contemplate petitioning the Bombay Government on the subject.

A very melancholy accident happened to one of the Sind Railway employés last Saturday night. An inspector on the line, Mr. Ronaldson, was getting into his carriage when the horse made a bolt, and he fell out. Unfortunately one of his legs got entangled in the spokes of the hind wheel and he was dragged for some distance until the carriage came up against a gateway when its progress was stopped. Mr. Ronaldson was immediately extricated from his perilous position and conveyed to the Civil Hospital, where he died to-day from the injuries he sustained. At first no apprehensions were entertained of the result of his wounds, and it only became apparent two days after his admission into hospital that amputation alone could save his life, and then he was too weak to undergo the operation. His funeral was largely attended by all the railway people, from the Agent downwards, who appeared much grieved at the man's sudden end.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

[PER REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONTINUED FIGHTING AT PARIS.

PROBABLE GERMAN INTERVENTION.

LONDON, 17TH APRIL.

The Commune claims to have gained a victory over the Government troops at Neuilly on Saturday, and to have captured 400 prisoners. The battle is said to have lasted the whole night. The Versailles Government entirely denies the victory claimed by the insurgents.

Obstinate fighting continues at Neuilly [illegible] cannonading was still being carried on yesterday.

The movement and concentration of Versailles troops has been carried on on a large scale during the last four days, and a general formidable attack is expected.

The movements of the German

INDO-BRITISH INSTITUTION.

ANNUAL MEETING AND EXHIBITION.

The annual meeting in connection with the Indo-British Institution was held on Friday afternoon. There was a fair attendance of the friends of the institution, and as usual the pupils were in the room and sang one or two songs. The Right Rev. Dr. Douglas, Bishop of Bombay, in the chair.

The Secretary (the Rev. Mr. Gilder) opened the meeting with prayer, and then read the annual report, which was as follows :—

The committee of the Indo-British Institution regret that they have, in common with the directors of other local charities, to report a falling off this year in the support received from the public. The subscriptions and donations received during the year have amounted to Rs. 3,833-6-0, as against Rs. 5,056-6-1 in 1869. The church collections show a corresponding decrease, having been Rs. 1,381-14-6 against Rs. 2,282-13-6 in the previous twelve months. While, however, the receipts have been fewer, the expenditure has not decreased. There was consequently a debt against the schools on December 31st, 1870, of Rs. 1,387-11-2. The committee have again to tender their acknowledgments to the ladies and gentlemen who assisted at the concerts and readings held in the beginning of the year for the benefit of the schools. Their thanks are due to the Lord Bishop of Bombay and to the undermentioned clergymen who have had special collections for the institution—the Venerable Archdeacon C. H. Leigh-Lye, Rev. C. T. Wilson, Rev. C. F. H. Johnston, Rev. R. Essum, Rev. S. Stead, Rev. A. L. Onslow, Rev. H. H. Pope, Rev. W. J. Ffennell, and the Rev. C. Gilder. The committee would also record their obligations to the Right Reverend the Metropolitan of India, Bishop Milman, for his advocacy of the claims of this charity in S. Thomas Cathedral, on the occasion of his Lordship's recent visit to Bombay. On the 31st December, there were twenty-eight boys and twenty-five girls on the roll, classified as follows—5 Europeans, 34 Indo-Britons, 10 native Christians, 2 Syrians, 1 Armenian, and 1 African. Thirteen children were admitted during the year and eleven were withdrawn. Only five of the children are fully paid for at the rate of sixteen rupees monthly; part payment is received from the friends of twenty-seven, and twenty-one are entirely supported from the school funds. The committee have satisfaction in reporting that the payments by parents and others on account of children have been only a few rupees below those realized in 1869 and considerably more than in previous years. The tuition fees from day scholars show a decrease. Of day scholars there are at present only twelve in both schools. The committee have had this circumstance under consideration, and have already taken steps to remedy it. Mr. W. H. Guest, late assistant-master in the Anglo-Vernacular school at Tanjore, has recently been appointed to the charge of the [illegible] school, and it is hoped that under him its efficiency may be raised so as to enable it to take its proper position among the schools of this city. The committee regret that the result of the annual Government inspection of the boys' school has not been satisfactory. The girls' school did much better, obtaining a grant of Rs. 306, out of a total of Rs. 453. The schools were examined in religious knowledge by the Rev. F. L. Sharpin, acting Chaplain of S. John's, Colaba, who reports that he was, upon the whole, much gratified by the results. The ladies' committee continue to exercise their valuable supervision over the girls' school. On their recommendation, and at her own request, the managing committee have, conditionally, permitted the mistress to continue in her situation, after marriage. Two of the older boys, Thomas Tanner and Reuben Greenman, have obtained employment in the medical and postal departments respectively. In the girls' school a most interesting experiment has been commenced. Three of the girls have been found occupation as teachers in different day schools, continuing to reside in the institution, but paying for their own board. Two of these are engaged under the Ladies' Association for the Promotion of Native Christian Female Education and the Church Missionary Society. The institution may thus, at no distant time, realize the anticipations of the Right Reverend the President, expressed in his Lordship's address at the annual meeting in 1869, by proving an important element in the work of Christian missions. The health of the children has been satisfactory, although, as urged in former reports, there are not, owing to the defectiveness of the school buildings, all the arrangements essential to the health and comfort of the children. About Rs. 5,000, which Government would supplement by an equal sum, would enable the committee to supply the defects. The vacancies in the committee, consequent on the departure from Bombay of Mr. Jeremiah Ryan, Dr. Mills, and Mr. J. Cameron, have been filled by the appointment, under rule 6, of Messrs. M. H. Starling, F. J. Candy, and P. Ryan. On the resignation of Mr. Jeremiah Ryan, Mr. John Ryan kindly consented to act as treasurer. The committee have to repeat their acknowledgments of his interest in the institution. Through his personal exertions, the children in the boys' school have this year been supplied with new clothing, without charge to the funds. In October, the committee issued an appeal inviting aid in establishing a printing press, the profits of which they hoped might in time be a source of income to the schools. The subjoined extract from their appeal will explain their intention—

"The committee are of opinion that if a press is established in connection with the institution, it will, besides adding an industrial branch to the present organization, which will be of very great advantage to the boys' department, be the means of placing the schools on a more permanent basis, and of enlarging their sphere of operation. For years the institution has dragged on a very precarious existence, living from hand-to-mouth, and a state of its finances has scarcely ever ceased to be a source of deep anxiety to its friends and well-wishers. In the earnest hope of putting an end to so unsatisfactory a condition of things, the committee, European, Eurasian, and native public of Bombay to assist them in raising funds for the purchase of the press, and, after its purchase, to aid them, as far as possible, by giving them a fair share of work for the press. The amount required to be raised at once is Rs. 3,500."

Of the sum just named, about Rs. 2,500 have been proposed, and the schools generally, to the liberality of the public, take this opportunity of stating that the present unsatisfactory state of the funds is full of the most serious risk to the stability of the institution.

Archdeacon Leigh-Lye moved the adoption of the report. They might have hoped for a report more successful in some respects, he remarked, but the statement that the girls had been engaged as teachers alone [illegible] the report satisfactory. The institution had a [illegible] claim on the Indo-British community, and all [illegible] wish that community to recognize it in a way it had not hitherto done. They were thankful for what had already been done, and, though it remained to be seen if next year's report would be more satisfactory, he thought that, taking this report as a whole, they were justified in adopting it, and ordering that it should be printed and circulated, which he accordingly moved.

Mr. H. M. Starling seconded the motion, and in doing so remarked that he thought they must consider, not that the institution had been in a very bad condition but simply that it had been suffering from the same cause as all the charitable institutions in their own native country were at the present time suffering—that was from the extraordinary demands on Englishmen to alleviate the sufferings caused by the present war. Perhaps, looking to the greater sufferings at a distance, and in consequence of the strong appeals on behalf of the distressed, they had forgotten the lesser sufferings that they had at home, and had forgotten to provide in the same proportion as they had hitherto done for those closely around them: but it was to be hoped that during the year to come they would not only keep up with former subscriptions to this institution, but even make up for the falling off which there had been during the past year. (Applause.)

The report was unanimously adopted.

The Secretary then intimated that the undermentioned gentleman, who had received the highest number of votes would, if willing to act, be, with the *ex-officio* members, the committee for the ensuing year, viz.—the Hon. Sir M. Westropp, Professor Candy, John Firth, Esq., P. Ryan, Esq., Captain Marryat, M. H. Starling, Esq., and the Hon. Mr. Justice Lloyd.

Mr. Bunnett next proposed that Captain Marryat should be appointed auditor of the accounts for the past year. Captain Marryatt had, he remarked, taken a great interest in the institution, and would, no doubt, take care that the accounts were in order.

The Rev. W. B. Keer seconded the appointment. It gave him much pleasure, he said, to have that opportunity of commending the institution to the support of the public, and he hoped it required little of his commendation to secure for it better support than it had received during the past year. He had learned with pleasure that funds were raised, not without readiness, from natives when the objects of the institution were put before them, and he trusted that from the means now open for the education of those for whom the institution was intended there would be a stronger effort made. If the students were to occupy the high missionary position which it was hoped they would attain in this land, there must be a warmer effort made to fit them for that position.

The motion was passed, and the prizes were then presented to the successful pupils, Mrs. Douglas presenting the books to the girls, and the Bishop awarding those won by the boys.

The Chairman then said—Ladies and Gentlemen,—The proceedings of these annual meetings, of which we have so many, are to a great extent of course of a formal character, but at the same time we should not overlook the fact that they are of very great importance. At these annual meetings each different society which depends upon the support of the public puts the state of its affairs before the community, gives the community an opportunity of expressing an opinion with regard to its management, and also gives an opportunity to those who are interested in the institutions to recommend them to the sympathies of the public. With regard to the present annual meeting and this institution, I do not know that there is anything very particular to which to call your attention, except one or two facts which have been noticed in the report and adverted to by previous speakers. One of these was alluded to by the Archdeacon, and another very interesting feature is the fact that greater support has been derived from the parents or relations of those who are in the institution; but I am afraid that the most interesting feature is that which is also a point in the report. Almost all our institutions, on very nearly every occasion, and especially during the past year, deplore that the state of the funds is not commensurate with the necessities of the institution. So far as concerns the Indo-British Institution those who are acquainted with its working attribute this in some degree to the fact that the Indo-British community does not take quite so great an interest in its affairs as might perhaps have been expected. Now if this be the case, it is a fact of some seriousness, and at any rate it seems desirable that attention should be called to it and that we should do all in our power to press the claims of the institution on those who ought to take the deepest interest in its concerns. I hope that those may aid by subscriptions during their lives, and also may remember it when they dispose of their property in the prospect of death. Some donations of that sort have already been received. It is really to permanent gifts of that nature that an institution of this nature must look for its support, and I do trust the Indo-British community will not forget this institution which has so very great a claim on every one of them. You will observe that an attempt has been made by the committee during the past year to put the funds on a more satisfactory footing by the purchase of a press, from which they would hope to derive considerable income in the course of time. The only reason that that plan was not carried out, was that a fund of Rs. 3,500 was necessary as a first instalment and only Rs. 2,500 have been promised. At the same time the sum promised is so very nearly the amount of that which is required that we need not, I think, be without hope that this plan, which certainly has some recommendations, may be carried out during the year now going on. I need hardly add, in addition to what has been already said on former occasions, no doubt, at these annual meetings, that the claims of a society like this on a Christian community are of a most pressing nature. Whether we look to the race for whose special benefit this institution has been founded, or whether we look to the fact that a great number of them are orphans thrown upon the care and love of the Christian community, I am quite sure I have only to press again upon the consideration of the public the circumstances of those whose needs this institution desires to meet, and is founded to meet, in order that the institution may receive that greater support for which the necessity is so urgent. I trust that everything in the management of the institution is of the most satisfactory kind. I know that a master has lately been obtained who is well qualified for the work which has to be done, and I have no doubt that the reports from the Government Inspector on future occasions will be as satisfactory with regard to the boys' school as they have been during the past years with regard to the girls' school. With these few remarks I would again commend the interests of this institution to your sympathy and ask you to do all you can, both by personal exertions and by indirect influence, to assist the funds and in every way to further its welfare. (Applause.)

Mr. P. Ryan, in a few remarks as to the interest which the Bishop had taken in the Indo-British Institution ever since his arrival in Bombay, proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Mr. T. Trevor and carried by the meeting.

This was all the business.

AN INSOLVENT PUNISHED.

Yesterday the Hon. Mr. Justice Gibbs gave judgment with regard to the petition of Nusserwanjee Jamsetjee Screwwalla for final discharge in insolvency. His Lordship in concluding an elaborate judgment (publication of which we are obliged to defer) said, that bearing in mind the loose habits of trade to which the system of advances on cotton had given rise and the necessity for this Court—as a quasi-mercantile tribunal—noticing most severely when established such improper proceedings, His Lordship adjourned the insolvent's discharge for two years without protection.

COTTON EXPORTS FROM THE CENTRAL PROVINCES AND THE BERARS.

Statement showing in detail the quantity of cotton exported from the stations of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway in the Central Provinces and the Berars, from the 1st October 1870 up to week ending 10th April 1871, as compared with the exports up to the same date in the season of 1869-70.

Stations.	Exports for Week ending 10th April 1871.			Total Exports up to 10th April 1871.			Total Exports up to 10th April 1870.		
	Full Pressed.	Half Pressed.	Bales.	Full Pressed.	Half Pressed.	Bales.	Full Pressed.	Half Pressed.	Bales.
Nagpore	—	—	Dokras.	930	93	1,023	—	—	Dokras.
Wurtah	—	—	—	193	10	203	—	—	—
Pondgaon	—	—	—	133	133	266	—	—	—
Budnaira	—	—	—	428	45	473	—	—	—
Comptee	—	—	—	728	95	823	—	—	—
Moothapore	—	—	—	4,650	297	4,947	—	—	—
Shoogaum	—	—	—	1,967	114	2,081	—	—	—
Kharigaum	—	—	—	1,261	73	1,334	—	—	—
Malkapore	—	—	—	3,911	187	4,098	—	—	—
Boorapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shegaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Somna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sohagpore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Narrawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nandgaon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bunkery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harda	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total.	—	—	—	17,980	—	17,980	—	—	—
Nagpore	—	—	—	215	5,069	5,284	—	—	—
Wurtah	—	—	—	3,069	916	3,985	—	—	—
Pondgaon	—	—	—	916	7,830	8,746	—	—	—
Budnaira	—	—	Bales.	7,830	—	7,830	4,519	2,830	Bales.
Comptee	—	—	—	—	—	—	15,941	1,043	—
Moothapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,098	1,967	—
Shoogaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,261	1,261	—
Kharigaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,911	1,184	—
Malkapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,092	—	—
Boorapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shegaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Somna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sohagpore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Narrawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nandgaon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bunkery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harda	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total.	—	—	—	30,721	—	30,721	34,822	6,284	—
Nagpore	—	—	—	11	—	11	167	100	Dokras.
Wurtah	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,992	1,992	—
Pondgaon	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000	1,000	—
Budnaira	—	—	Dokras.	11	—	11	4,159	4,159	—
Comptee	—	—	—	—	—	—	895	895	—
Moothapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	10,307	10,307	—
Shoogaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,849	1,849	—
Kharigaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	16	—
Malkapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	660	660	—
Boorapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shegaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Somna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sohagpore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Narrawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nandgaon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bunkery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harda	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total.	—	—	—	11	—	11	22,045	21,028	—
Nagpore	1,587	1,587	Bales.	3,174	3,174	6,348	1,000	1,000	Bales.
Wurtah	5,014	5,014	—	10,028	10,028	20,056	2,000	2,000	—
Pondgaon	2,044	2,044	—	4,088	4,088	8,176	4,000	4,000	—
Budnaira	2,264	2,264	Bales.	4,528	4,528	9,056	4,000	4,000	Bales.
Comptee	5,177	5,177	—	10,354	10,354	20,708	10,000	10,000	—
Moothapore	980	980	—	1,960	1,960	3,920	1,000	1,000	—
Shoogaum	8,269	8,269	—	16,538	16,538	33,076	16,000	16,000	—
Kharigaum	1,388	1,388	—	2,776	2,776	5,552	2,000	2,000	—
Malkapore	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Boorapore	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Shegaum	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Somna	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Sohagpore	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Narrawarra	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Nandgaon	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Bunkery	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Harda	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Total.	53,115	53,115	—	106,231	106,231	212,462	94,000	94,000	—
Nagpore	119	119	Dokras.	238	238	476	227	227	Dokras.
Wurtah	270	270	—	541	541	1,082	454	454	—
Pondgaon	111	111	—	222	222	444	227	227	—
Budnaira	447	447	—	894	894	1,788	1,000	1,000	—
Comptee	1,018	1,018	—	2,036	2,036	4,072	2,000	2,000	—
Moothapore	315	315	—	630	630	1,260	1,000	1,000	—
Shoogaum	1,683	1,683	—	3,366	3,366	6,732	3,000	3,000	—
Kharigaum	10,451	10,451	—	20,902	20,902	41,804	20,000	20,000	—
Malkapore	815	815	—	1,630	1,630	3,260	1,000	1,000	—
Boorapore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shegaum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Somna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sohagpore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Narrawarra	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nandgaon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bunkery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harda	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total.	15,429	15,429	—	30,859	30,859	61,718	29,908	29,908	—
Nagpore	1,706	1,706	Bales.	3,412	3,412	6,824	1,227	1,227	Bales.
Wurtah	5,284	5,284	—	10,568	10,568	21,136	2,454	2,454	—
Pondgaon	2,155	2,155	—	4,310	4,310	8,620	4,227	4,227	—
Budnaira	2,711	2,711	Bales.	5,422	5,422	10,844	5,000	5,000	Bales.
Comptee	6,195	6,195	—	12,390	12,390	24,780	12,000	12,000	—
Moothapore	1,295	1,295	—	2,590	2,590	5,180	2,000	2,000	—
Shoogaum	9,952	9,952	—	19,904	19,904	39,808	19,000	19,000	—
Kharigaum	11,839	11,839	—	23,678	23,678	47,356	22,000	22,000	—
Malkapore	5,381	5,381	—	10,762	10,762	21,524	9,000	9,000	—
Boorapore	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Shegaum	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Somna	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Sohagpore	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Narrawarra	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Nandgaon	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Bunkery	1,000	1,000	—	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	—
Harda	4,566	4,566	—	9,132	9,132	18,264	8,000	8,000	—
Total.	67,544	67,544	—	135,088	135,088	270,176	132,908	132,908	—

Totals in Bales of 3½ Cwts.

	1870-71.		1869-70.	
Full-pressed.....	102,415		71,787	
Half-pressed.....	41,190		49,894	
Dokras ...34,484	11,494	17,885	5,961	
3	155,089	3	127,742	

A. J. Dunlop,
Assistant Cotton Commissioner, West Berar.
Dated Camp Akolah, 14th April 1871.

A BORAH IN TROUBLE.

Abdool Hoosein a Borah, was placed on Friday before Mr. M. G. Ranade, and was charged with attempting to bribe a public servant, &c.

Abdool Hoosein Sumsoodin said—I am the chief moonim in the firm of Tyaball Cumroodin. The firm has its principal office at Nagpore, and has branch establishments at Jubbulpore and Bombay. I have been chief moonim of the Bombay firm since last Dewalee. Jaffirjee Goolam Hoosein carried on the business of the firm at Bombay for twelve years before me. I live in Bangli Bazaar. I do not know the defendant. He was never employed to my knowledge to transact any business for the firm. About the 6th inst. I received a telegram from Jubbulpore, advising the firm here that Rs. 3,000 would be sent from Jubbulpore on the 9th inst. I have lost the original telegram. There is a copy in the railway office. The Rs. 3,000 were to be sent by parcel by the railway. Money is generally sent to our firm here from Jubbulpore by railway parcels. On the 10th inst., at 3 p.m., the railway muccadum Hormusjee Cursetjee, came to my shop. He brought a parcel with him. The parcel now shown to me is the same that was brought to me. The box and the cloth cover are the same. Hormusjee Cursetjee told me that another man wanted to take the parcel, and promised to pay Rs. 200 if he would give it to him. I asked him why he did not arrest the man. I then opened the box. I found two notes, one for Rs. 1,000 and another for Rs. 100. There was also a letter in the box containing the numbers of the notes. I then endorsed a receipt which the muccadum brought to me. The receipt is here. The day after I had taken out the notes I went to the Boree Bunder Railway Station. I took the parcel with me after re-sealing and reserving it as before. I gave it to Ardasir Hormusjee, parcel agent, to whom Hormusjee had told me to give it. I had taken away the notes from the parcel before I went to the Boree Bunder Station. I paid the whole amount of the notes to a shroff on account of a hoondee. I do not know anything about the receipt now shown to me, signed by Abdool Hoosein in the name of Tyaball Cumroodin. There is nobody in the service of the firm of the name of Abdool Hoosein. My name is Abdool Hoosein Sumsoodin. I am the only person employed to sign in the name of Tyabali Cumroodin's firm. I never sign my name Abdool Hoosein without adding Sumsoodin to it. The signature on the receipt is not in my handwriting.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sorabjee—I did not speak to anyone about the receipt of the telegram from Jubbulpore. I am sure this letter (produced) was not written in Bombay. It is a memorandum about the notes. It is not addressed as a letter. The memorandum or letter is in Tyabali's handwriting. I say this because I am acquainted with his handwriting. I have never before received from Jubbulpore currency notes in railway parcels. It is not usual to send currency notes by railway parcels. Hormusjee did not mention to me the name of the man who, he said, wanted him for a consideration to give the parcel to him. When Hormusjee came, Goolam Hoosein was in the shop. I did not open the parcel in Hormusjee's presence. Hormusjee did not tell me that the parcel contained any notes. I had sent an unregistered letter and a telegram to Jubbulpore, desiring that money should be sent, as a hoondee, accepted by me here, had to be paid. I got only the telegram in reply. I had asked Rs. 3,000 to be sent. Only Rs. 1,100 were sent. I have since received a letter stating that the remaining money will be sent to me. I received the letter yesterday.

The magistrate adjourned the case for further enquiry.

THE POONA P. W. D. FRAUDS.

TRIAL OF SHARMAN.

The trial of John Dixon Sharman for alleged frauds in the Public Works Department at Poona commenced yesterday morning at the Criminal Sessions before Mr. Justice Green and a special jury. The prisoner was indicted on the following charges :—

1. That he, the said John Dixon Sharman, a European British subject and a public servant, to wit, a supervisor in the Public Works Department herstofore, to wit, on the 11th of May, in the Christian year 1867, at Poona, in the Bombay Presidency, and within the jurisdiction of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, did agree to accept from one Ashania Ramia a gratification other than legal remuneration as a motive or reward for showing in the exercise of his official functions favour to the said Ashania Ramia, against the form of the Act of Government of India in such case made and provided.

2. That he, the said John Dixon Sharman, being a European British subject and public servant as aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year aforesaid, at Poona aforesaid, did agree to accept from the said Ashania Ramia a gratification other than legal remuneration as a motive or reward for rendering a service to the said Ashania Ramia, by recommending him to a public servant, to wit, one William Steward Howard, acting Executive Engineer at Poona and Kirkee, against the form of the Acts of the Government of India in such case made and provided.

3. That he, the said John Dixon Sharman, being a European British subject and a public servant as aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year aforesaid, at Poona aforesaid, did cheat the said William Steward Howard by deceiving the said William Steward Howard, and intentionally inducing him to do an act which he would not have done if he had not been so deceived, to wit, to countersign a certain bill for work alleged to have executed on and upon a certain cookroom at Gunnesh Khind, that said act being likely to cause damage or losses to the said William Steward Howard on reputation, against the form of the acts of the Government of India in such case made and provided.

4. That he, the said John Dixon Sharman, being a European British subject and a public servant as aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the said day and year aforesaid, at Poona aforesaid, did cheat the said William Steward Howard, with the knowledge that he was likely thereby to cause wrongful loss to a person, to wit, Her Majesty the Queen, whose interest in the transaction he the said John Dixon Sharman was bound by law to protect, against the form of the Acts of the Government of India in such case made and provided.

5. That he, the said John Dixon Sharman, being a European British subject and a public servant as aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day aforesaid, at Poona aforesaid, being as such public servant charged with the preparation of a document, to wit, a certain bill for work alleged to have been executed on and upon a certain cookroom at Gunnesh Khind, framed that document in a manner which he knew to be incorrect, knowing it to be likely that he would thereby cause injury to a person, to wit, Her Majesty the Queen, against the form of the Acts of the Government of India in such case made and provided.

Similar counts were read charging the prisoner with fraudulent complicity with Jewun Modun.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty, and the special jury was then sworn for his trial.

The Advocate General (Mr. Scoble) and Mr. Ferguson, conducted the prosecution; Mr. Anstey and Mr. Inverarity appeared for the prisoner.

The Advocate General (Mr. Scoble), in opening the case, said—May it please your Lordship, gentlemen of the jury,—The case which you are impanelled to try, though no doubt one of considerable importance, and particularly so as regards the prisoner, is not one which I think presents any circumstances of difficulty, or one with regard to which you will feel very much hesitation in supposing the facts to be proved as I am instructed to state them. Before I sit down I will refer in detail to the five charges which have been read to you by the Clerk of the Crown, but I think it will be better that I should premise that reference with a short statement of the circumstances under which it has come to pass that the prisoner is placed in the dock. This prosecution arises out of certain frauds alleged to have been committed in the Public Works Department at Poona, in which department the prisoner was a supervisor. The particular fraud which you will have to investigate to-day is a fraud which it is stated was committed in the preparation of the accounts for the building of a certain cookroom attached to the dormitories which were erected for the accommodation of the Governor's band at Gunnesh Khind. Now, gentlemen, most of you, if not all of you, must have seen the building which has been erected at Gunnesh Khind for the accommodation of His Excellency the Governor, and it was in regard to one of the subsidiary buildings attached to that edifice that the fraud which is charged against the prisoner is alleged to have been committed. The said cookroom at Gunnesh Khind was entrusted to a gentleman named Howard, who was Acting Executive Engineer of the Poona and Kirkee district in the year 1867. The prisoner Sharman was employed under Mr. Howard as supervisor of the works that were going on under Mr. Howard's general superintendence. The position of supervisor is one of very great trust, and one requiring, I need scarcely say, great honesty and care on the part of the person who holds it, for to him is committed the duty, which is perhaps the most important duty that is required to be discharged in regard to building, namely, the duty of measuring up the work which has been done, for upon those measurements, as you, gentlemen, and certainly those of you who have had any thing to do with housebuilding, will know, the payments for the building depend. Now, gentlemen, the prisoner in his capacity of supervisor also had a good deal to do with regard to the selection and employment of the contractors who were employed to do the work, and amongst the contractors employed upon these works at Gunnesh Khind was a man named Ashania Ramia, who was recommended to Mr. Howard by the prisoner, and upon that recommendation was employed. Among the works which Ashania Ramia had to do was the building of a cookroom for the use of the Governor's band, and that particular work came to be done in or about the month of April 1867. According to the practise of Mr. Howard's office, at the end of each month, bills are prepared for the work done during the month, and the preparation of these bills, so far as that portion of the work which was under the supervision of the prisoner was concerned, devolved upon the prisoner. The bills were made out upon a printed form describing various particulars, the nature of the work, the name of the contractor, the total quantity of work executed to date, the rate which ought to be charged for the work so done, together with the total amount payable for the work done according to those rates. Now, gentlemen, at the end of April, or in the early part of May 1867—I see the date of the bill is 30th May—the prisoner prepared a bill which I will call for shortness bill No. 13. No. 13 is the current number of the bill, and I think it will be convenient to refer to it as bill No. 13. That bill is for the construction of the cook-room for the family quarters of the Governor's band at Gunnesh Khind, and the total amount of that bill is Rs. 1,533-2-11. Nearly the whole of the written part of that bill is in the proper handwriting of the prisoner; the quantities, the rate, the amount, the total value of the work done up to date, are all shown in the prisoner's handwriting, and the bill is signed "J. D. Sharman, supervisor in charge of the work," and upon the back of the bill is a certificate by the prisoner in his own hand, to which I have to request your particular attention. That certificate is this—"Certifies that the above claim is correct, that the measurements have been made by me, and that the work has been satisfactorily performed. (Signed) J. D. Sharman, supervisor in charge of the work." Now, gentlemen, the particular portion of that certificate to which it is necessary that I should direct your attention is that which relates to the fact that the measurements had been made by Sharman, for upon the correctness of those measurements will depend, as you will see, almost entirely, if not entirely, the correctness of the bill. That bill, after having been prepared by Sharman, and certified by him in the form which I have just read, was submitted to the Executive Engineer, whose duty it was to examine and countersign it; and upon the countersignature of the Executive Engineer having been obtained, according to the practice of the office, a cheque would be issued for the amount shown upon the face of the bill to be due to the contractor. Now, among the quantities so certified by Sharman upon this bill, the measurement of which was certified to have been made by him, is a quantity of 1,330 square feet of cut stone paving, at the rate of Rs. 60 per 100 square feet, amounting to Rs. 798, and that item is entirely incorrect. The proper item would be something a little more than 330 square feet, so that somewhat more than 1,000 square feet more is shown upon this bill than had actually been done. At Rs. 60 per 100 square feet, the overcharge would amount to Rs. 600 or thereabouts; and it is with regard to that particular item of overcharge that your direction is particularly requested. Now, gentlemen, this certificate states that the measurement of the work shown on the other side had been done by Sharman; but whether or not that statement is true matters not, so far as the case which I have to lay before you is concerned. If he did make the measurement it is perfectly clear that he could not have made the mistake unless fraudulently. A man could not have made a mistake of 1000 square feet in the measurement of a small room; and if he did not make the measurements he made a false certificate, and a certificate which he must have known to be false from his knowledge of the room in which the work was required to be done, and which from his experience he must have known could not by any possibility have contained 1,300 square feet of stone flooring. So that in either way you look at this certificate the prisoner, upon the face of the bill, upon the face of his certificate, made a false and incorrect statement. Now upon the faith of this certificate Mr. Howard, the Acting Executive Engineer, countersigned the bill, and upon Mr. Howard's certificate being affixed that bill became a warrant upon which a cheque would be issued to the contractor. It so happened that early in May 1867 Mr. Howard availed himself of leave of absence and went to Mahableshwur, and his place in the Poona office was supplied by Lieutenant Cruickshank, who in due course, on 11th May, granted a cheque No. 55 for Rs. 2,741-8-2, in which the amount of this bill No. 13 is included. That cheque was presented by Ashania Ramia at the treasury in Poona, and the amount of the cheque was received by him on that same day, and upon the back of the cheque is entered a receipt which bears his mark, "the signature of Ashania Ramia Camatee, mark a footrule, in the handwriting of Tookeram, I have received the sum in full, 11th May, in the Christian year 1867." So that you will clearly see that upon the faith of this bill, and upon the faith of Sharman's certificate, Ashania Ramia received, on 11th May, in respect of the item for cut stone, Rs. 600 more than he was entitled to receive. Now, gentlemen, it may occur to you, no doubt it would occur to many people, that this entry of 1,330 feet of cut stone work was an entry that might have been made by oversight or through carelessness, and that the prisoner ought not to be charged with more than an oversight or an act of carelessness in having sent up this bill; but there are other circumstances in the case which I claim, in the opinion of some of the gentlemen present and accustomed to deal with business matters, go far to show, as I submit it show entirely, that such could not have been the case. Before I refer to these circumstances let me call your attention to a point which I think I ought to state, as it has a material bearing, or may have a material bearing, upon this. In the original specification that was made for the carrying out of this particular work an error was made in the abstract, by which instead of 330 feet of cut stone work being shown 1,330 feet were shown. That error was detected and the correct amount stated in the margin of the abstract at the same time—at what particular time I am not in a position to say, but certainly before the abstract was returned from the Superintending Engineer, to whom in due course it was sent. But however that may be, no matter at what time the correction was made, it was made, and it is a correction which must have been known to the prisoner, for this reason, that as supervisor, or as we should call him in England clerk of the works, he would have to work, not according to the abstract of the specification, but according to the details of the specification, and in the original specification the details clearly show that upon this particular cookroom something less than 330 feet of stone work was to be employed; that albeit he had to trust to the abstract, by which he might have been misled, nevertheless in carrying out his work as supervisor he must have known that 1,330 feet, as entered in the abstract, was wrong, and it would have been his duty, as such supervisor, to have brought that error at once to the knowledge of his superior officer, Mr. Howard. I say, therefore, that this mistake in the abstract of the original specification does not appear to me of much importance in the matter, first, because the prisoner as supervisor would have to work, not according to the abstract, but according to the details of the specification, and because in the course of his work he must, had he paid reasonable and proper attention to the work, have known that 1,330 feet as shown in the abstract was a mistake. Now, that being so, I proceed to refer to other circumstances which establish, according to the theory of the prisoners, the guilt of the prisoner in regard to these charges which have been preferred against him. Ashania Ramia, the contractor whom he had introduced to Mr. Howard, and who had been employed by Mr. Howard upon his recommendation, states that in consideration for his having this recommendation for this employment he was to pay the prisoner Sharman 5 per cent. upon the amount of the bills of which he received payment. He further states that in regard to this particular cookroom, by reason of the haul being a large one, and not usually manageable, the Rs. 600 which [illegible] to pay in excess of the work was to [illegible] this manner, Rs. 400 to Sharman, and Rs. [illegible] Ashania. Now, if Ashania's statement upon that point is correct, no reasonable man can have the slightest doubt upon the guilt of the prisoner; but it is my duty to let you know at this stage of the case that Ashania does not come before you in so satisfactory a character as I could have wished a witness for the Crown should do. There is a circumstance which appears upon the depositions which will go far to make you—and which will no doubt be used, and very properly used by my learned friend to show why you should—discredit Ashania's statement upon this point, and that is that Ashania, when admitted as a witness for the Crown at Poona in the first instance denied altogether that he had had any transactions of this kind with the prisoner. Afterwards, upon having his pard

THE PRESS ON THE FEAST TAX.

(*Native Opinion*, April 16.)

The discussions on the feast tax, which have appeared in the press during the course of the week, have hardly thrown any light on the subject, so as to affect the question of the unsuitability of the measure. On the contrary, new facts and new arguments have been advanced which only go further in the condemnation which it had deservedly met with. Almost all the vernacular papers, Marathi and Gujarathi, disapprove of the impost, as Government must have learned, or will shortly learn from the official reports. A local Gujarathi journal and a Parsee writer, however, have come forward to support the proposed tax. Their own productions are brimful of matter proving the cockneyism of their lucubrations. Bombay is not the Bombay Presidency. Nor are the *Burra Khanas* with sparkling champagne the just measure of the country's status and prospects. Since we wrote our last, we have received a long communication from a Parsee gentleman in favour of our views, which we cannot give entire for want of space. It is not a question of expediency, but a question of fundamental principles. The British Government should for our sake, and the sake of the whole Empire, never think of interfering in the remotest degree with our religious and social observances, unless when these interfere injuriously with the rights of others. Writers, who have no argument, but mere tall rhodomontade, are not the safe counsellors for this Empire. If the State taxes luxuries like *Tamashas, Baithaks, Nautches, Nalaks*, and noisy *Tomtoms*, it may well do so; and its action will in that case have the sanction of precedent, as well as of popular approbation. For all these things are luxuries; which the so-called feasts are not. We gave some examples of *necessary* dinners on the last occasion. They could be multiplied to any extent. Every village in the Konkan or many parts of the Dekkan has the local deity's festival. This is celebrated by a dinner. But what is the dinner? Rice and vegetables are collected from people's houses, by a few individuals going from door to door. Leaves are set forth in rows, and children and adults congregate to enjoy the annual repast. There are no *heap, heap kurrahs*; and neither liquor nor flesh, nor sugar nor much ghee, nor other costly food. And Cockney-writers who write up a feast tax had better take a run amongst the *jungelwalas* in the country before they again take up their pens. Funeral ceremonies, too, are accompanied with compulsory dinners. On the 13th day, certain relatives and others make it their duty to attend uninvited, and often in large numbers. Is the magistrate to be notified and propitiated with a ten rupee offering on every such occasion? Again, native invitations are given to each house-holder "Sahakuttumba sahaparivaar, &c.," *i. e.*, along with family and attendants. Amongst the Parsees, our correspondent tells us, "the inviter, as a rule adds the following words at the end of the note—Meherbóni karine bhaio tathá Sáhebjádaone sáthe laine padhárvunji, *i. e.*, you will oblige the inviter by bringing with you your brothers and sons. In the same manner the female members (who go personally to invite their friends) make the following oral request:—Vahu dikrane laine tasdi iejo, *i. e.*, be pleased to honour us by bringing with you your *daughters-in-law* and your *children*. Our correspondent goes on to say,—

"I may assure you that in 75 cases out of every hundred, the invitee, whether male or female, literally fulfils the wishes of the inviter. Take one example,—A invites B in the manner above mentioned. B happens to have two brothers of 8 and 10 years of age and is also blessed with two sons, the elder of whom is 9 years old; he in order to please his host embellishes all the four youngsters and takes them with him to the *khana* to the great delight of the youngsters and pleasure of the host. If the invitee be a female, she follows or rather she is compelled to follow, the same rule, in order to meet certain conveniences of her household, and she takes with her all the little ones, no matter at what annoyance and inconvenience. You will thus see that for every invitation, there is at least 4 to the feast, and it is considered perfectly in unison with the manners and customs of the Parsis, though to a European it may look somewhat odd and perhaps a breach of good manners. But as I have to deal with the social status of the natives only, I do not allow myself to be guided by European ideas on the subject. Now, when the host or the inviter is called upon by law to make a previous return of the number of persons expected to be his guests, what rule of proportion is he to follow in making his calculations? Is he to include in it the only persons whom he actually invites, or is he to make a guesswork of the number likely to attend, and make a return accordingly; and also, is he to count "children under 10 years at half charges" (as the theatrical phrase goes) and "children under arms free," as the railway rules allow; or is he to take them all as full-grown persons?"

The remarks of our correspondent regarding the literal response to the invitations at feasts are also true of Hindus residing in the country or belonging to the [illegible] of the society to say that the bill is a reality very sad one, considering that it has emanated really from the Government of a province, and that neither as it stands, nor with reference to its probable results, can it be considered a joking matter in any way. It has not only been spoken of in the local Council by the Governor himself, but has met with the approbation of every official member of that Council who has expressed a public opinion concerning it. We do not know with whom the notion of such a measure originated. Its inaptitude to the country for a province of which it is intended, would seem to indicate that its paternity must be credited to the inexperience of the Governor himself, but then His Excellency has a Council; and they seem individually to approve of the measure as warmly as Sir Seymour himself. Perhaps there is something in the air this season, some subtile influence afloat, which has had the effect of dementing the Governors, while leaving the governed untouched, unless so far as they are liable to suffer from the mental malady of their rulers. Generally speaking, the natives of the Bombay presidency are in a more backward condition as regards enlightenment than those of this presidency; yet what would be the result here were the Government to pass an Act taxing feasts and entertainments? The enactment would produce so much dissatisfaction that it would probably have to be rescinded. At festival times the wealthy would be found saying to their poorer compatriots, "We intended to give you an entertainment according to custom, but cannot do so as Government, apparently desirous of preventing such things, has imposed a tax on them!"

It is sincerely to be desired that Sir Seymour Fitzgerald's bill will be disallowed either here or in England. That such should be its fate is really a matter of some importance, for the measure, if it becomes law, is certain to excite the ill-will of nearly the whole provincial population.

(*Indian Daily News.*)

The objections offered by our contemporaries on both sides of India against the proposed imposition of a tax on feasts in Bombay, appear to us, at the first sight, to be based upon an imperfect apprehension of the character of the festivities which the impost is intended to reach. To us, as far as we are able to arrive at any conclusion in the present state of our information regarding the subject, it seems that the tax is in the nature of a perfectly justifiable impost on the rich; and it is abundantly evident that it is as such, and not as a tax upon the poor, that it has received the support of the Legislature at Bombay.

If we have rightly apprehended the scope and object of the proposed impost, it will occur of itself to most of our readers that it may be logically upheld by all, or almost all, the arguments that have from time to time been employed, not only by European journalists, but also by writers in the native press, to advocate the levy of a marriage tax. The conditions under which a wealthy native will recklessly lavish immense sums of money for the sole purpose of creating a display, are not, perhaps, very numerous in the narrow life to which an uneducated native is condemned by the traditions of his forefathers; but they invariably occur on every occasion of the occurrence of the very class of festivities which we believe it is now the wise intention of the Bombay Legislature to tax. If this be the case, the Bombay Government, so far from being open to censure, may be congratulated on having set an example to the Legislatures of the other Presidencies, which it only now remains for those Legislatures speedily to follow. The wisdom of the course that has only now been pursued in Bombay, always supposing that we have rightly apprehended its character, has so frequently been pressed upon the attention of the Government of India, by ourselves and by the very journals who, under a misapprehension, have condemned the Bombay Government, that it can hardly be necessary for us to recapitulate the numerous arguments which may be advanced in its support. It will probably suffice that we have indicated the nature of the misapprehension.

It strikes us, indeed, on a review of the whole matter, on the imperfect data at present at our disposal, that the Government of Bombay have exercised a wise discretion in extending the operation of the bill to all the feasts of the wealthy classes, instead of limiting it, as has hitherto been usually suggested, to the occurrence of marriages. The incidence of the tax has thus been spread over the entire sphere to which (on the strength of the arguments that have been advanced in favour of a mere marriage tax) it legitimately pertains; and the principle of the bill being just, the Bombay Government may honestly be congratulated on having devised an executive arrangement which will give it full operation, and secure the largest possible returns to the Treasury.

(*Indian Mirror.*)

There is a wicked consolation somehow generated in the breast of afflicted humanity by the contemplation of kindred suffering in other men and women. And something akin to this unrighteous satisfaction is apt to creep into the mind of the tax-ridden Calcutta public at the fate of their countrymen of Bombay. There is actually introduced among them a tax on feasts! Sir Seymour Fitzgerald has not watched the phases of native society in vain. He has heard of the fabulous number of Brahmins fed on occasions of religious and social ceremony, the huge caste meetings where *puri* and *mehtye* "are mounched, and mounched, and mounched." Like a practical prudent official as he is, he saw no reason why the Government should not make an honest penny out of it. Hence a tax on feasts. Madras had the other day a proposal for a marriage tax. So when feasts and marriages and such other joyful occasions are appropriated in the sister presidencies, we have no choice but to revert to the darker sides of existence. Let us, therefore, have a tax on funeral processions in Bengal. This tax would accord very well with the present sentimental state of mind into which Sir Richard Temple has thrown the Calcutta community, together with heat, mosquito, and cholera. Why should not the poetry of human life pay its tribute to nature, feminine beauty, and the imperial exchequer? Why indeed!

A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE FEAST TAX.

(*Bombay Correspondent of the "Pioneer."*)

Part of the native press bitterly opposes the proposed tax on feasts. Sir Seymour Fitzgerald speaks of it as one of those imposts which are payable only by those who choose. Caste dinners and religious feasts, it is urged on the other hand, are by no means matters of choice, but serious and fixed duties not to be evaded. It has always seemed to me that the tax on armorial bearings is a very good example of a purely voluntary tax—I mean a tax each individual elects or refuses to pay. Is there any good reason why it should not be introduced into this country? The Brahmin bull, cow, black-buck, camel, and elephant are already domesticated in the Heraldic Menagerie of that quaint little institution in the city, where Garter King, Clarencieux, Somerset, and Norroy hold their quiet court. £3-12-6 for carriage people, and 13s. 6d. for common folk, is not much to pay for the privilege of stamping sea-lions, six-foils, stags, phœnixes, portcullises, lions, leopards, lilies, and all the rest of the pretty, useless properties all over one's stationery and belongings generally. There are few taxes more cheerfully paid indeed. There is, or used to be, a custom of servants in India bearing on their turbans, in place of an aigrette or panache, the crest of their masters in semblance of a badge in silver or silver-gilt, as English servitors used to bear a badge on their arms. Ostentatious and useless this may be called, but the fact is, that heraldry and the parade of arms is a flourishing and daily extending study. Nearly all native princes and most of the leading Setts (of Bombay at least) have duly accredited rolls of arms; and who would dare to question the right of Brown, Jones, and Robinson to their griffins, their caps of maintenance, and the cockatrices which the advertising stationers so liberally endow them withal? A little tax on this vanity—is it wholly vanity?—would, I doubt not, stimulate the revival of badges for servants, &c. Those who have no arms would feel it incumbent on their patriotism to procure them, and even you would cheerfully pay tax for an achievement of arms whose blazon might perhaps run thus,—Or, on a chevron az, two pioneer's hatchets addorsed of the first; in chief, a penner and inkhorn irradiated ppr. Supporters,—Dexter, a Pegasus ss., winged, coronetted, collared, and chained or: Sinister, a pioneer habited and armed ppr. Crest, a Salamander erg, passant reguardant, fire issuant from his mouth ppr., a pen behind his ear, also ppr. Motto.—Soyez Sages et Suyvez Moy. There! that, I flatter myself, would make a good heraldic composition. As an augmentation of honour, a Bombay letter ppr. might be borne on an escutcheon of pretence. Surely Sir Richard Temple might think about it. Decidedly he ought to pay for armorial bearings if only for the exquisite irony of the motto to which he is entitled—"Templa quam dilecta!" which, heraldically translated, means, "How beloved are the Temples!"

BANGALORE RACES.—1871.

Additional Races not published in Prospectus already issued.

THE GRANDMASTER PURSE.

Value Rs. 500, presented by Aga Ali Asker. For all maiden Arabs that have never started before the race. Weight 8st. 7lbs. 1½ miles. Entrance 1st May Rs. 50, 1st June Rs. 100, with a sweepstakes of Rs. 150 for each horse declared to start. Three horses from different interests to start, or the purse will be withheld.

THE EARL'S PURSE OF RS. 500.

Presented by Ali Abdoolah, for all Arabs. Weight for age. Maidens allowed 10lbs. Winners once during the meeting 3lbs., twice 6lbs., oftener 9lbs. extra. Horses that have started during the meeting and not won, allowed once 3lbs, twice 6lbs., oftener 9lbs. Distance 1½ miles. Three horses from different stables, and in different interests to start, or the purse will be withheld. Entrance 1st May, Rs. 50; 1st June, Rs. 100, when the race will close with a sweepstakes of Rs. 150 for each horse declared to start.

The above two races will be run under rules of the Western India Turf Club. The dates on which these races will be run will be settled hereafter.

R. C. Stewart, Honorary Secretary.

INDIAN ITEMS.

Soldiers' Games at Calcutta.—The race-course on the Calcutta maidan was enlivened last Monday evening (April 10) by the garrison games, the prizes in which were provided and presented to the winners by the Commander-in-Chief. The hero of the day was an Irishman, Private Eagan, who won six out of seven events by jumping higher and further, and running faster and longer, than any other competitor—besides doing his share towards winning the three-legged race.—*Pioneer.*

The Gilchrist Scholarships.—The names of the successful candidates in this year's Gilchrist examination have been telegraphed from England to Calcutta. Baboos Sreenath Dutt and Aughore Nath Chatterjee have won their scholarships in Bengal. They are both of them promising students in the fourth year class of the Presidency College, and, what is likely to be more interesting to our readers, both of them are staunch and zealous Brahmos. The last Gilchrist scholar, who is now in England, is also a Brahmo.—*Indian Mirror.*

A Polite Request.—Should we be asking too much if we begged the Postmasters at the different mofussil stations to which our paper is addressed, to hand it over to the addressees daily as soon as they have finished reading it? We have received so many complaints from up-country subscribers that we are obliged to make this somewhat ungeneerous request. While gratefully appreciating the high compliment which the mofussil postal authorities pay us by selecting the *Englishman* for perusal, we regret to inform them that the present arrangement—involving, as it does, delay in delivery and sometimes actual loss—does not appear to suit the convenience of our subscribers, and we shall, therefore, esteem it a favour if Postmasters will be so good as to deliver the newspapers to addressees as soon after receipt as possible, consistently with their natural desire to have the earliest information.—*Englishman.*

Curious Facts about the Looshais.—Mr. Edgar's narrative of his late adventure gives us one or two interesting facts as to the home life of the tribes who lately enraided the Cachar territory. Money amongst them is almost unknown, all monetary transactions being by preference carried on in grain or cloth. Rupees are not looked upon as final payment, but as tokens that the equivalent of the coin, in cloth, brass vessels, or food, is owing from the payer to the payee. When they wish to obtain fish, they poison the stream with the bark of a certain tree, which, when pounded and thrown into the water, has an intoxicating effect on the fish. Salt is at times scarce in the Looshai villages, so a substitute has been contrived. Bamboos are split and then burnt. The ashes are collected into a tube through which water is allowed to drain into a pan held below. This water when evaporated leaves a saline deposit which forms a substitute—though a poor one—for common salt.—*Pioneer.*

The Storming of Magdala.—The non-commissioned officers of H. M.'s 45th Regiment gave a ball and supper on the night of Thursday last in commemoration the storming and capture of Magdala. The entertainment took place in the sergeant's mess-room, which was tastefully decorated and transformed into a hall of dazzling light for the occasion. There were stars of bayonets and banners all over the place, and the decorations were so complete that even one who was quite familiar with the room must have found some difficulty in recognising it as the sergeants' mess-room. The officers of the corps and Captain the Hon'ble J. S. Napier were present, and a large number of sergeants of H. M.'s 16th Lancers came down from Bangalore and attended the ball. The ball was opened at nine o'clock by Colonel Parish, the commanding officer of the corps, and dancing was kept up with great spirit till the morning. The supper was also a great success, the arrangements being all that could be desired, and the guests being carefully attended to by the stewards.—*Madras Times*, April 15.

MILITARY AMENITIES.

Your critique on the "Complimentary benefit" on Monday night recalled to my mind, Mr. Editor, some military dramatic experiences of my own. You were rather hard, I thought, upon the dramatic company of that evening, considering they were for the most part amateurs. Amateurs are like Volunteers—they should be treated with all gentleness and consideration—they expect this, and ought not to be disappointed. I was once acting Adjutant to a battalion of Volunteers, who displayed more than the usual Volunteer eccentricity regarding regular attendance at parade. They sometimes turned out in sufficient numbers for drill, and very often they did not. In those days the offices of commandant and adjutant were honorary, not paid appointments. One would have thought that the knowledge of this fact would have induced the gentlemen playing at soldiers to turn out with some sort of regularity, but it did not, and great was the grief of their very good but oversensitive commandant. One morning when he had got better than an ordinary muster, he pathetically addressed the assembled force, bewailing their lukewarmness and laggard spirit in coming to be drilled. A voice from the ranks called out, "You forget we're Volunteers." "Gentlemen," was the calm and telling reply, "you are mistaken. I never can forget that fact." They did not all see the point of the sarcasm, but those who did benefited I think by it, judging from their attendance on parade afterwards. Now it is the moral from this that I apply to you. You forgot that the *dramatis personæ* that you criticised on Wednesday morning were chiefly volunteer amateurs. I don't know who it was suggested a complimentary benefit to Mr. Freyberger except himself; I do not know in what way the public were indebted to him, nor do I understand why they should have been anxious to pay Rs. 5 per head, on a hot night in April, to see him paint during a concert, "a well known scene in Calcutta 8 feet by 12," any more than they should have paid to see him wash his face or eat a beefsteak pudding. But the public I suppose knew what they were about, and were satisfied that they would get the value for their money. You say they did not—but that is only your assertion, and you are merciless on the performers, forgetting, as I have said, they were mostly amateurs. Had you seen some of the performances in which I have taken part, in old military times, you would have considered the performance on Monday night a rapture and a success. Did you ever play *Box* in the elegant drama of *Box* and *Cox*, with *Cox* drunk and *Mrs. Bouncer* not sober? *I* did. *Cox* came in a page and a-half too soon, while I was in my red herring and gridiron scene, and offered first to fight me and then to shake hands. *Mrs. Bouncer*, a private of my regiment much addicted to low comedy and rum, had to be removed by a file of the guard, owing to the violent way in which she took my part, encouraging me to hit *Cox* who was her captain. *Cox* and I were summoned to the Orderly Room next morning and reprimanded by the colonel, who was impertinent and cruel enough to say that *I—Box*—had been eating salmon as well as *Cox*, although I had tasted no fish but only shared a little "jumping powder" with him, as he pleasantly designated the couple of bottles of champagne we had before the curtain drew up, just to bring out our dramatic *verve*. *Bouncer* got 48 hours' cells and his hair cut short, and a damper was for some time cast upon our regimental drama. But a worse *contretemps* happened to us when we gave an amateur performance at the "Queen's Theatre," Dublin. If there are any of your readers who remember the "Queen's Theatre, Dublin," some twenty years ago, they will remember also many strange parts that used to be enacted there, besides the acting on the stage. It used to be celebrated for the wit of its gods, and their readiness at all times to comment aloud upon the performance, or to pass remarks to one another upon whatever struck their fancy at the moment. It was of this theatre that the story is told of the elder Kean when playing *Richard the Third*, and receiving from the Hibernian who acted *Ratcliff* as reply to the question, "Who is there?"—"Me Lord, 'tis Oi,—the early village cock," —calling out "Crow and be d—d to you!" and stalking off the stage in rage and disgust—while one of the gods cried out, "Come back Misther Kane, if ye plase—we're satisfied with *you*, but blast you, Jim Doolan" (this was to the erring Ratcliff), "can't you mind yer stops." It was in the same pleasant place that Manners, Duke of Rutland, when Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and on rather intimate terms with a certain Peg Woffington of the drama—heard one god cry out to her when the appeared before the curtain, "Who supped with you last night, Peg?" and another god thundered forth as if in rebuke, "Manners, you dog!" Down to my day the gods of this theatre retained their privilege of free talking and their reputation for wit. I remember Lord Clarendon when Lord Lieutenant being invited one night on taking off his hat as he entered his box to, "Put on your *cauleen*, my Lord—if you wore as cowld down there as I am up here, you'd be glad to have a *cauleen* even to warm you." But the smartest piece of *colonial* wit in that theatre was when a gentleman in the stalls insisted upon standing up and continued to do so, notwithstanding the angry cries of those behind him to sit down. The stranger heeded not all the shouts of the back stalls and pit, but remained erect. A cry arose to turn him out, and matters began to look rather serious for him, when a god of the upper gallery yelled out, "Lave him alone, boys, lave him alone. Sure he's tailor, and *he's only standing to rest himself!*" I need not add that the gentleman at once sat down.

At this pleasant theatre we once gave a regimental performance. The first piece was played by the soldiers, the after-piece by the officers. What the first was I do not now remember, but it was a drama relating to the time of Queen Elizabeth, for Sir Walter Raleigh and other historic characters of that period were in it. I only remember one incident in connection with it, and that was the reply given by one of the characters to the question? "Who are you, sirrah?" "Awm the Airl o' Essex," was the answer in the broadest Scotch, of that elegant nobleman of good Queen Bess' court. I think I can hear the shouts of laughter raised by the critical gods when the tall, raw-boned Highlander who enacted the part announced as above who he was.

I played in the after-piece, and part of my stage business was to eat a quantity of cold goose, and drink the greater part of a bottle of portwine—which articles, strange to say, I was supposed to have discovered in a baronial hall. I had put my intellect to work, and was doing the goose and portwine business as I thought excessively well, when one of the gods cried out—"Glory to yer swallow, but its you that's fond of goose!" The laughter which followed this assertion rather discomposed me for a moment, but strengthened by the portwine and the innate sense of my histrionic ability, I waited till there was silence, and then quietly said, looking to my friend of the gods,—"I *am* fond of goose—and I am glad to find that there is another in the house." I consider this rather a brilliant repartee upon my part, and the gods received it most goodnaturedly, calling upon me in the pleasantest manner to say it again. From that to the fall of the curtain the play was chiefly composed of the author's words as spoken by me, and the running comments of the celestials. The curtain very soon fell, however, and that too in the middle of the drama, as it fell the other night in the Opera-house. The leading character had to make his appearance (it was his first "on any stage," as we announced in the bills, and I suspect his *last* also) with the announcement from me, "Here comes the noble Rolando." That was his cue for coming on. I gave it, but no Rolando made his appearance. I took the stage, and casting a significant glance at the prompter called out more loudly, "Here comes the noble Rolando." In vain—the stage was as empty as before—no Rolando put in even the shadow of an appearance. I began to get rather troubled in mind, and felt a queer sensation about the knees, as if the lower portion of my legs were stolen property, and didn't belong to me. I feared the gods, and thought it was best to "gag." How to gag was the difficulty, but I made a plunge at it—"'Tis strange," said I, touching my brow in meditative mood, "'tis strange he doth not come. I saw him but yestreen, and then——." "Why the devil did'nt you collar him then, and save us waiting for him?" was a loud and vulgar query from the gods which interrupted my soliloquy. Before I had time to think even of a retort to this, I heard a scuffle at the side scenes, and saw the noble Rolando coming on, but, he appeared to be held back by some of the carpenters and idlers at the wing. I screamed forth, "Let him go, ye caitiffs!"—and turning to the gods with a smile of triumph added,—"Better late than never, here comes at last the noble Rolando!" And so he did, that is to say he made one tremendous lurch across the stage, staggered up against me, almost knocking me into the orchestra, and then fell flat, dead drunk and insensible at the foot-lights. He was a medical student of Trinity College, Dublin, and ought to have understood the unities of the drama better, but there he lay in "cold obstruction's apathy." I standing over him, an indignant Hector gazing at the dead Achilles. My friend in the gods had his revenge. "That's goose number three," he quietly remarked, "and the best cooked." Shouts of derision and laughter greeted the letting down of the curtain on this tableau, shouts which only increased when I went in front and offered an apology on behalf of the company. The public, unlike the Calcutta audience the other night, insisted upon getting their money back, which request we were obliged to comply with, and the night closed on what was neither financially nor dramatically—a success.

—*Englishman.* Pendennis, Major.

The licensed victuallers of Manchester on May 23 held a meeting and adopted a memorial to the Home Secretary, asking him to put down a system of espionage which they say has been established by the tectotallers of Manchester and Salford, not only upon their establishments, but upon the policemen on the beat suspected of favouring the publicans.

"OUR NATIONAL SIN."

Commenting on a letter we extracted yesterday from the *Friend of India*, the *Englishman* says:—

Now, in the first place, it strikes us that even taking Mr. Atherton's view of the case, there is much less reason at the present day for the advice he gives than there was even twenty years ago. As applied to the state of society existing in India during the earlier part of Mr. Atherton's career here, his remarks are pregnant with a meaning that has now to a great extent ceased to attach to them.

But, this part of the question aside, it seems to us that Mr. Atherton takes a very partial view of the question, when he condemns, as an unjustifiable insult, the instinct against intermarriage with the native races. Granted that on moral grounds he is probably right; granted that the contempt felt by the European for dark races is based upon pride rather than upon reason, and that a native woman is as capable of making as good a wife as a European, still this is only a part, and the least important part of the question. We have to look to the result in its connection with the main object of marriage, the propagation of the race. Now, though we are far from saying that the evidence we have on the subject is conclusive, an experience almost uniform seems to show that from some mysterious cause or other the mixture of European and native bloods lead to rapid physical deterioration of the race. No doubt, this is extraordinary, and looking at the ethnical relationship of the two races, would seem *à priori* to be an improbable result. But experience is more convincing than theory; and so far as it goes, it puts a veto on these marriages, of a kind which all nature obeys, and which man is certainly not less bound to obey than the rest of nature. Whether the deterioration is the effect of the mixture of the races alone, or, as seems probable of climate acting unfavourably on the European element in the offspring matters little. In either case, it affords an equally valid argument against the prudence of this class of alliances. In the face of such physical deterioration of the race, it is needless to say it[illegible]vement would be impossible, and, con[illegible]advantages anticipated by Mr. Athe[illegible]er be realised.

We are fu[illegible]are that the experiment, as hitherto conducted, has been carried out under conditions very likely to prejudice the result; but we can see no encouragement to repeat it under any conditions we can command. We cannot secure a medium climate for the mixed offspring, and this probably would, in any case, be an essential condition of success. The very circumstances of the problem, and even the object Mr. Atherton has in view, would necessitate its being carried through in India itself. Moreover, we cannot so revolutionise English feeling on the subject, however unamiable it may be, as to relieve the mixed offspring of a weight of obloquy in itself likely to be fatal to moral improvement, and even to react on the physical development.

THE 19TH N. I. FOUND GUILTY.

(*Madras Mail*, April 12.)

It will be remembered that the 19th Regiment of Native Infantry arrived in Madras early in February from Kurnool *en route* to Singapore; that on the eve of embarkation in the Himalaya, the sepoys were offered pay for the current month, February, and for the following month, March; that two companies refused their pay, and mutinied; that the guard in the guard room evinced sympathy with their comrades who had been ordered under arrest; that the colonel paraded the men, addressed them, listened to, and complied with their demand for the release of the prisoners, and that the latter then returned to the ranks. The pay was now again tendered, and was accepted; and the regiment embarked, and duly arrived at Singapore. Two months have elapsed since the occurrence of the mutiny, and it has been generally supposed that the Government have hushed up the matter. It is now stated, however, that one company at least will be dismissed from the service, while Colonel Cholmeley, commandant, Lieutenant-Colonel Firth, second in command, Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Bowen, officiating wing officer, and Captain S. E. Atkinson, adjutant, will in all probability be removed from their appointments. Had not the mutiny been in a great measure due to the ignorance or indifference of the European officers, the corps would most certainly have been disbanded *in toto*, but taking into consideration the grave blunders of these officers the punishment has been limited to that portion of the regiment which was most culpable. This leaning to the side of clemency should, we hope, satisfy the native army that the authorities, if severe, are not vindictive.

From the length of time that has elapsed since the misconduct of the regiment it is presumable that the Government were compelled to defer their decision until receipt of a full report from Singapore, and we doubt not but that in such report expression is given to the feelings of the non-commissioned officers and men. It may not be expedient to place such a privileged report before the public at present, but it will have to be produced should Parliament demand further information as to the course that has taken place with the 19th, that at one time enjoyed a reputation for gallantry and discipline second to none in our native army. It may, meanwhile, be well to mention what are some of the complaints that the native officers of the regiment freely made ere they embarked. They allege, then, that they were unkindly treated by Colonel J. J. Hopkins, an officer who did not rise in the corps, and who never could feel that his home was with the regiment, by the introduction of a novel mode of marching from their station. This officer, with a soul not above buttons, marched his wing down from Kurnool to Gooty with knapsacks on, and with fixed bayonets, a proceeding hitherto unheard of. To the civilian mind this may seem a trifle, but to the soldier it is not so. Setting aside the extra weight he was made to carry, he was also forced to march with closed ranks and in silence, instead of with that free and easy step, with tongue unloosed, enjoying that gossip which natives so dearly love, which is implied by the word o' command, "March at ease." The Commander-in-Chief was duly informed of the state of feeling in the regiment; the telegraph was set to work; and a further stop was put to Colonel Jenkins's vagaries by an order which reached him at Gooty, removing him from the position of Second in Command and Wing Officer, and directing him to proceed to Bellary, and to remain there on "general duty"—the plain English of which is nothing to do. There was a time, however, when such a hardship as the marching from station to station in "heavy marching order," would not have created a bad feeling throughout a corps, for the influence each "company" officer possessed over his men would have kept them quiet, the latter feeling assured that on their arrival at regimental head quarters their "own" officers would duly represent their grievances which would be redressed accordingly. Then we have the weakness or ignorance displayed by Colonel Clementson in directing the Adjutant to inform the men that the current month's and one month's pay only in advance would be drawn for them, the rule being that an advance of two months pay is given in addition to the pay of the current month which is usually forestalled long before the month is out. Here, then, was a clear infringement of the rights of the men, and we have the melancholy spectacle of a colonel of a regiment being taught his duty by his own men. Too much cannot be said in favour of the considerate forethought of Government in directing an advance of two months pay to be drawn for the sepoys embarking on foreign service; for if the men are more or less in debt, which has not been lessened by their march down to the coast, and they have to send their families to their native villages, with some funds in hand to carry them on until the "Family Certificates" become due. Why then were the rights of the men ignored? For the last daring outrage of the men in demanding the release of the prisoners no excuse is made, though great provocation is pleaded as an extenuating circumstance. It would be impossible to pardon the mutinous behaviour of the regiment, but we have stated what we have reason to believe is the men's version of this sad story; and it occurs to us that as so little leaven has ripened one regiment into full blown mutiny, who can say how much leaven there may not be seething in other regiments only waiting the opportunity to burst forth similarly. Our sepoys feel that their officers no longer take the interest in them that they used to do. The native regiment is no longer a home to the British officer. The men's individual characters, which the defaulter book never can show, are unknown to officers who are being perpetually moved from one corps to corps. Thus the men's prospects are seriously injured; merit is not rewarded; demerit often gains promotion; and with his loss of self-respect goes the sepoy's love of a service which it was once his ambition to enter.

The sudden resolution of the Commander-in-Chief to go home at the risk of forfeiting the whole of his pay, is supposed to have had something to do with his conviction of the ills that have been produced on *esprit* and discipline by the Irregular Organization, or rather, Regular Disorganization of the Madras Native Army. It is rarely that a disaffected spirit manifests itself in a regiment that once prided itself upon its excellent reputation, without there being at bottom a good deal of provocation. Madras sepoys do not readily quarrel with their salt, and even the Bengal sepoys in 1856-57 were not without some excuse. We are far too prone to treat these native soldiers of ours in a high-handed, off-handed fashion that will not trouble itself to respect local prejudices. The 18th M. N. I. was, it will be remembered, disbanded in 1864, because the then Commander-in-Chief and Adjutant General were pleased to think that the whole corps was responsible for the misconduct of a few of its black sheep. Sir Hope Grant retracted a good deal of what he said against the regiment, in a subsequent order, in which he apologised like a gentleman to the Adjutant whom he had unjustly censured; but such an apology, however personally gratifying to Captain Clubley, the officer in question, (who by the way accompanied the 19th Regiment in the Himalaya to Singapore) was no satisfaction to the disbanded sepoys, and to the officers deprived of their appointments in the corps. We treat our European regiments with a gentler hand, for the simple reason that we have a common feeling with them, and can enter cordially into the consideration of their wants. The word-and-a-blow rule of our native army, dismisses us to expect a very fervid description of loyalty, for men who know that they are distrusted will ever be prone to give occasion for distrust. If we need native regiments at all,—and we have yet to be convinced that we can safely dispense with them,—we should arm them with the most efficient weapon that exists, and seek, without showing any fear of them, to deserve, so as to gain, and keep, their confidence.

A Partridge a Day.—American papers state that a man at Washington has won a wager of ditto 500 by eating a partridge a day for a month. At first he lost 16lb. in weight, but regained 6lb. afterwards.

MOVEMENTS OF GERMAN TROOPS.

Le Mans, March 23.

The General commanding the Army of Brittany announces that orders of an important concentration of troops will be issued here, to assist, if necessary, in restoring order in Paris. The first brigade has already left Laval, and is daily expected.

A MODERATE MANIFESTO.

The *Journal des Débats* (March 23) prints an article signed by M. John Lemoinne. It runs thus—

"The committee which styles itself the Government gives us this morning in the shee: called 'official' a first *avertissement*. This committee desires to keep up traditions even in its language. That does not surprise us. But what does astonish us is that its fiancies we will submit to its decrees. We are threatened with the most severe punishment. We know of no more severe, no more discreditable punishment than to be obliged to obey or to accept its authority. We are aware what brutality can do. Brutality may come from a revolution as well as from a dictator. Both proceed in the same way. Dictatorship has fastened a gag on our mouths. Revolution can do the same. Revolution in so doing will be the gainer. Revolution will then be able to drag us with them down into the abyss; but revolution will show us the way down. What is the more criminal on their part is that they know it, they know they drag us down with them, and they are paid for it. The Radical Deputies of Paris and the Mayors of Paris implore the population to remain quiet, because municipal elections will be granted to them. But what is that? What do the men who drench our streets in blood care about a suffrage more or less free? All questions affecting proletarianism, wages, and work are questions to be settled by peace only, and in time of peace only. The men who sincerely and seriously occupy themselves with such questions know it well. But that is not the question. The question lies with that Government which France may select. It is the duty of the Assembly which represents the country, the duty of the Government which has left us with a light heart to get through our troubles as best we may, it is their duty to look after the safety of the country. Before, during, and after the war Paris has done her duty. Before the war Paris always voted for liberty; during the war Paris fought and suffered; after the war all miseries, all executions, and, perhaps, all disgraces are reserved for Paris. We must not deceive ourselves. We are placed between the forts of the left bank and those of the right bank. The men who plunge us into civil war are those who bring upon us foreign occupation. It is thoroughly immaterial to them. They have no notion whatever either of country, of honour, or of national sentiment. Questions of proletarianism, or questions of empire, are to them identical. France is of no consideration."

THE ARMY.

(*London Gazette*, March 24.)

War Office, Pall Mall, 24th March, 1871.

1st Regiment of Life Guards.

For Jan Charles Ogilvie Grant, Viscount Reidhaven, to be Cornet and Sub-Lieutenant, &c., &c., as stated in the Gazette of the 7th December, 1869.

Read, Jan Charles, Viscount Reidhaven, to be Cornet and Sub-Lieutenant, &c.

9th Lancers—Lieutenant Charles Harvey Palairet to be Captain, by purchase, vice Sir Morison Barlow, Bart., who retires. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Lieutenant Francis Alphonse Herbert to be Captain, by purchase, vice the Honourable R. F. John Preston, who retires. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Cornet and Adjutant William Percy to have the rank of Lieutenant. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Cornet Alfred Llewelyn Wrightson to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Palairet. Dated 25th March 1871.

Cornet William Henry Fitz to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Herbert. Dated 25th March 1871.

12th Lancers—Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet-Colonel Oliver Langley, from half-pay late 16th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet-Colonel Thomas George Alexander Oakes, C.B., who retires on half-pay, receiving a portion of the difference between the former and present value of Cavalry Commissions. Dated 25th March 1871.

Major Adolphus Ulick Wombwell to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Brevet-Colonel Oliver Langley, who retires. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Captain Alexander Fletcher to be Major, by purchase, vice Wombwell. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Lieutenant Joseph Henderson to be Captain, by purchase, vice Fletcher. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Cornet Edmund Morton Mannsell to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Henderson. Dated 25th March, 1871.

13th Hussars—Cornet Arthur Baines has been permitted to retire from the Service by the sale of his Commission. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Royal Artillery—Second Captain and Brevet-Major Henry John Foquett Ellis Hickes to be Captain, vice M. F. Downes, placed upon the Supernumerary List. Dated 10th March, 1871.

Second Captain Edwin William Sandys, from temporary half-pay, to be Second Captain and Brevet-Major, vice Hickes. Dated 10th March, 1871.

Second Captain George Bertie Benjamin Hobart to be Adjutant, vice J. M. Burn, appointed to the Riding Establishment. Dated 10th March, 1871.

1st Foot—Major Edward Thomas St Lawrence MacGwire to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Frederick Wells, who retires. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Captain Henry George White to be Major, by purchase, vice MacGwire. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Lieutenant George Paterson to be Captain, by purchase, vice White. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Ensign Robert Megaw Dunlop to be Lieutenant by purchase, vice Paterson. Dated 25th March, 1871.

24th Foot—Ensign George William Turner to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Henry Webster, who retires. Dated 25th March, 1871.

Gentleman Cadet Henry Napier McRae, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Turner. Dated 25th March, 1871.

29th Foot—The appointment of Paymaster J. M. Scott, and the retirement of Paymaster G. H. Shuttlewor